

**CITY OF FIRCREST PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 6, 2017
6:00 PM

Fircrest City Hall
115 Ramsdell Street

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karen Patjens called the regular meeting of the Fircrest Planning Commission to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Kathy L. McVay, Jerry Foss, Karen Patjens, Kenneth Halgren, and Arne Michaelsen were present. Absent: None. Excused: None. Staff present: Planning and Building Administrator Angelie Stahlnecker and Administrative Assistant Abbie Maenhout.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting of March 7, 2017 were presented for approval.

Moved by Foss and seconded by Patjens to approve the minutes. Ayes: Kathy L. McVay, Jerry Foss, Karen Patjens, Kenneth Halgren, and Arne Michaelsen. Noes: None. Absent: None. Excused: None. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Case 17-06 Amendments to FMC 22.58.011, .013, and .024 related to short-term rentals, home occupations and outdoor storage of vehicles

Planning and Building Administrator Angelie Stahlnecker presented an overview of the topics referred to the Planning Commission by the City Council to study and make recommendations on: regulating short-term rentals (Airbnb), amending home occupation standards, and limiting and/or restricting outdoor storage of inoperable cars, recreational vehicles, and boats in front yards.

Discussion included:

- Regulating short-term rentals
- Some communities are concerned short-term rentals could impact housing availability
- Revising the bed and breakfast regulation to include short-term rentals
- Short-term rentals are a business and should be treated as such

- Long-term rentals are not currently licensed, but the City Council is considering
- Creating two sub-tiers for Type I home occupations
- Consider allowing a home occupation to be enclosed in an accessory building
- Prohibiting storage of recreational vehicle and boats in the front yard
- Requiring minimal condition standards for recreational vehicles and boats
- Tightening regulations could increase enforcement difficulties
- Limits on visiting recreational vehicles
- Many parcels do not have backyard access
- Prohibiting all parking on front yard lawns

Patjens invited public comment.

Sue Asher, 1137 Garden Circle: She owns a house at 805 Spring Street and would support prohibiting vehicles from being allowed to park on the lawn.

MISC.

There was consensus to move the July 5 regular meeting to Monday, July 10, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Foss and seconded by Halgren to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Ayes: Kathy L. McVay, Jerry Foss, Karen Patjens, Kenneth Halgren, and Arne Michaelsen. Noes: None. Absent: None. Excused: None. Motion carried.



Angelie Stahlnecker, Planning/Building



Karen Patjens, Planning Commission Chair