

Planning & Zoning Regular Meeting

Spirit Lake City Hall May 6, 2025 6:30 PM

Ceremonies: Chairman Chris Fourroux called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Roll call was taken with Chairman Chris Fourroux, Vice-Chairperson Jill Shacklett, Commissioner DB Thomas, and Commissioner Terry Moore present, Commissioner Barbara Brown was absent.

_Consent Calendar: Approval of April 1, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Thomas motioned to approve the April 1, 2025 meeting minutes. Second by Commissioner Moore, followed by a vote with all Commissioners voting aye — motion passed.

New Business: none

Request to speak to Commission: none

Workshop: Comprehensive Plan and Recommendations to council on paving requirements Key Discussion Points:

- Comprehensive Plan Review
- Land Use Map and Zoning Classifications
- Future Land Use Designations

Major Topics: Land Use Classifications:

- Reviewed various land use categories including residential low, medium, and high density
- Discussed commercial flex, downtown commercial, and highway entry zones
- Examined potential changes to land use designations in different city areas

Area of Impact (AOI):

- Discussed potential removal of certain areas from AOI
- Decided to keep current boundaries at this time
- Noted state law requires potential annexation within five years

North End Zoning Controversy:

- Significant discussion about zoning near Highway 41 on the north end of town
- Considered keeping certain blocks as residential medium density
- Balanced concerns about development potential and resident preferences

Action Items:

- Refine land use map with GIS mapping
- Add notes explaining AOI boundary decisions
- Consider traffic and development restrictions in specific zones

Paving and Parking Requirements

- Discussed commercial and residential paving regulations
- Explored challenges with ADA compliance
- Considered flexible approaches for small businesses
- Examined potential requirements for new developments and substantial remodels

Adjournment: Vice-Chairperson Jill Shacklett motioned to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Moore followed by a vote will all Commissioners voting aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Chairman Chris Fourroux

Written by:

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