



**PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA
PLAN COMMISSION
City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511
7:00 PM
Wednesday, August 5, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. Chairman Weeden; Commissioners Finnegan, Haynes, Robson, Ruster, Toral, and Zick; and Councilor Preuschl were present.

2. MINUTES

2.a. Consideration of the minutes of the July 22, 2020 Plan Commission meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Robson, seconded by Commissioner Ruster to approve the minutes, as submitted. Motion passed, roll call vote.

3. REPORTS

3.a. Consideration of a Perpetual Sidewalk Easement over a portion of the Beloit College Powerhouse property located at 850 Pleasant Street

Julie Christensen presented the staff report and staff recommendation.

Commissioner Weeden asked why the sidewalk was being widened at that section. Julie indicated that she believes that the existing sidewalk was partly on the Beloit College property before the project began. We are requiring them to re-construct the sidewalk and provide an easement for the portion located on Beloit College property. Commissioner Weeden asked if the gray part on the drawing was just the portion of sidewalk located on the Beloit College property. Julie indicated that was correct.

Commissioner Robson clarified that the sidewalk was already there, that it was located partially on College property, and we are just making it legal. Julie Christensen indicated that was correct. Commissioner Robson asked if the sidewalk would still be maintained, plowed, and salted, and Ms. Christensen said that it would. Ms. Christensen went on to explain that as development occurs, Engineering is evaluating the sidewalks to ensure that they meet ADA standards. If the sidewalk has more than 2 percent cross-slope, the sidewalks are required to be reconstructed.

Motion made by Commissioner Robson, seconded by Commissioner Toral to approve the easement. Motion carried, roll call vote.

3.b. Consideration of a Utility Easement over the properties located at 1111 and 1195 Prince Hall Drive

Julie Christensen presented the staff report and staff recommendation.

Commissioner Weeden asked Kristin Belongia, R.H. Batterman Co, about the arrows on the top and the bottom of the easement and what the dashed and dotted lines represent. Kristin explained that the heavier dashed line is the limits of the easement. The other lines are the platted parcel lines. Kristin said that she wanted to be able to depict the location of the easement with the vacated right-of-way.

Motion made by Commissioner Haynes, seconded by Commissioner Ruster to approve the easement. Motion carried, roll call vote.

4. STATUS REPORT ON PRIOR PLAN COMMISSION ITEMS

Julie Christensen mentioned that work is progressing on the Snappers Stadium and a number of other projects. She indicated that the City has received site plans for a new Verizon store and Jiffy Lube on Milwaukee Road. She also indicated that the next meeting will be held on August 19, and the Commission will be reviewing a conditional use permit for a drive-up window at the Beloit Public Library, a certified survey map in the Town of Turtle, and the rezoning application for the Cranston Road carwash.

Commissioner Robson asked about the Riverwalk and whether it would be open to the public. Councilor Preuschl indicated that it is a public connection to the Powerhouse.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Robson, seconded by Commissioner Ruster to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed, roll call vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.