

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH HELD ON THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 27, 2023. PLANNING BOARD VICE-CHAIRMAN GREGG DAVID PRESIDED. THE MEETING CAN BE VIEWED ON U-TUBE.

The meeting began with an affirmation of the Open Public Meetings Act. The schedule of meetings is on file in the Borough Clerks' office, was posted on the bulletin board, and has been mailed to the Local Source, and the Star Ledger.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. David.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Mauro, Mr. David, Mr. Clementi, Mr. Pantina, Mr. Mazzeo, Mr. Scuderi, Mr. Herbolario.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Scuderi, seconded by Mr. Clementi to approve the minutes of April 13 2023. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Resolution for Ordinance 2023-11 Consistency Review for Master Plan

Mr. Rago stated back on April 19th of this year the Borough Council introduced ordinance No. 2023-11. Under the law under Municipal Land Use Law, since it's a land use ordinance it must come to the Planning Board for consistency meaning is it consistent with the Master Plan of the Borough. This ordinance is intended to address certain issues on the boulevard, trying to increase pedestrian access trying to decrease traffic congestion and trying to avoid the creation of dead zones mainly to keep the borough alive for pedestrians and for shoppers. We previously heard from Kevin O'Brien, Borough Planner on this ordinance at a meeting or two ago and Kevin did a master plan Re-examination report regarding the ordinance and he concluded and also testified that this ordinance was consistent with the master plan which is why we're here this evening. What I did was put together a resolution anticipating that the planning board would feel the same way and attached to that resolution is the actual ordinance that was submitted to Kathy by Angela back on April 20th the day after the ordinance was introduced. What we're here basically to do is to come to an understanding that this ordinance is consistent with the goals of the master plan and give it our blessing and then it goes back to the governing body. I think they meet soon after for second hearing and then adoption, but they need our blessing to do that so that's pretty much why we are here. The vote would be if you agree that the Ordinance is consistent with the Master Plan.

Motion made by Mr. Mazzeo, seconded by Mr. Clementi to approve a resolution stating the Planning Board agrees that Ordinance No 2023-11 is consistent with

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Kenilworth Master Plan. Roll Call: Mr. Mauro voted yes, Mr. David voted yes, Mr. Clementi voted yes, Mr. Mazzeo voted yes, Mr. Pantina voted yes, Mr. Scuderi voted yes, Mr. Herbolario voted yes.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD

No comments.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Motion made by Mauro, seconded by Scuderi to open the meeting to the public. All in favor.

Motion made by Mauro, seconded by Mazzeo to close the meeting to the public. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Mazzeo, seconded by Mr. Scuderi. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:
Kathleen Moschitta
Recording Secretary