



City Council Special Meeting
Monday, December 9, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.
Bessie Rowell Community Center, 12 Rowell Drive, Franklin

Agenda:

- I. Planning Board Temporary Appointment**
- II. Police Department Restructure**
- III. Mill City Park Mitigation Discussion**
- IV. LEAN Update**
- V. Other**

Adjournment

The City Council of the City of Franklin reserves the right to enter into non-public session when necessary according to the provisions of RSA 91-A.

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CITY OF FRANKLIN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

December 9, 2019, LEAN Meeting of the City Council

From: Richard Lewis, Director of Planning and Zoning

Subject: Request for the Appointment of Temporary Alternate Members of the Planning Board

Proposed Motion:

"I move that the Franklin City Council approve the Temporary Appointments of Councilor Ted Starkweather, Michael Freeman, and Brian Barry to the Planning Board for the Site Plan hearing on the proposed Peabody Home Project. These appointments are necessary due to the number of Board members who must recuse themselves from this hearing process"

Discussion:

The Planning Board is currently conducting a Site Plan hearing on the proposed improvements and expansion to the Peabody Home. Of the current ten members of the Board, 5 members must recuse themselves due conflicts of interest. To approve the Site Plan application, 5 eligible members must be present to constitute a voting quorum. Two members who are eligible to vote on the Peabody Home matter will not be able to attend the meeting scheduled for the evening of December 18, 2019. I fully anticipate that the vote to approve or disapprove the Site Plan request will be made that evening. Due to the timeframes for the submission of grant funding applications by the Board of the Peabody Home, voting on a Notice of Decision on the evening of 12/18/19 is critical.

I have been in communications with several City residents who have all served on the Planning Board over the past few years. These individuals are: City Councilor Ted Starkweather; Michael Freeman; and, Brian Barry. All three have agreed to volunteer their time to assist the Planning Board during this membership-challenged period of time. Copies of the minutes from earlier meetings on this project will be provided to all 3 of these residents. And, I will make myself available to meet with all three to review the plans, describe the project, and answer any questions they might have.

I am requesting that the City Council approve the motion above, which will allow the Planning Board to complete the Site Plan hearing on the Peabody Home. I have reviewed this temporary appointment process with City Attorney Fitzgerald and he concurs that this is the appropriate way to move the project forward.

I do wish to express my thanks and gratitude to these residents for their cooperation and assistance.