

**Simsbury Planning Commission
TOWN OF SIMSBURY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 14, 2021 at 7:00PM
Meeting Held Via Zoom**

PRESENT: Regular Members: William Rice, Craig MacCormac, Erin Leavitt Smith, and
Dave Blume (arrived at 7:17pm)
Alternates: Julie Eaton and Rich Cortes

ABSENT: Regular member Holly Beum

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Glidden CFM CZEO, Director of Planning and Community Development

II. ROLL CALL

1. Appointment of Alternates

Julie Eaton and Rich Cortes were appointed to serve for Holly Beum and vacancy.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the July 13 2021 regular meeting

MOTION: W.Rice made a motion to table action on the minutes, R.Cortes seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0)

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Applications

a. None

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Applications

a. None

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Applications

a. None

b. Plan of Conservation and Development Update

Chairman Rice reviewed results for updating the POCD. E.Leavitt Smith explained that the commission was supposed to review Chapter 8 and sense of place however this was paused due to pending legislation. Chairman Rice asked for an update from staff. M.Glidden reviewed the changes associated with the zoning re-organization bill and the deletion of the term character.

E.Leavitt Smith noted how in Chapter 8 focused on the character of the district. Chairman Rice suggested that any changes to the term character should be specific and defined. M.Glidden agreed that the term should be defined and measureable.

E.Leavitt Smith explained that she deleted the term character in her edits. M.Glidden shared chapters 7 and 8 from the plan of conservation and development.

Chairman Rice read the definition of "sense of place" from the Plan of Conservation of Development. He noted that the definition on page 40 did not mentioned people. C. .MacCormac suggested that the term sense of place be substituted for community character. Chairman Rice stated he was thinking

about the same approach. E.Leavitt Smith noted that she used this approach however there were sections in Chapter 8 that require more thought to avoid repetition.

Chairman Rice wanted to continue the discussion at the next meeting. M.Glidden will have chapters 7 and 8 will be shared as word documents so that the commission can edit.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: C.MacCormac made a motion to adjourn the meeting. R.Cortes seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Submitted by

Michael Glidden CFM CZEO
Acting Clerk