

**MINUTES** *Facilitator* Maren King

**Attendees:** Gary Crawford, Sgt. Collin Hillman, Michael John Heagerty, Lore Fuller, John Mielanski, Katelin Kingsley, Len Montreac, David M. Aitken, City Court Judge Derrek Thommas, Andrew Maxwell, Mike Atkins, Councilmember Chad Ryan, Tina Zagya

**Presentation: Rezone** Owen Kerney | Assistant Director, Syracuse City Planning

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Project Rezone focuses on the Zoning Ordinance and the Zoning Map. All documents pertaining to the project are posted on the website. Current timeline for the project:

- 1) Module 1: New District & Uses (current)
- 2) Module 2: Development Standards (April 2017)
- 3) Module 3: Administration & Procedure (June 2017)  
Summer/Fall 2017 – consolidated public review draft

Once approved by Council it will become local law by late fall 2017.

**Q.** What is changing in these districts?

**A.** In the 90's, there was an effort to Rezone the Lakefront Area, which is largely mixed use. This will largely remain the same. Currently, there is discussion on if the Industrial use is appropriate close to the Lakefront area. District uses and developmental standards are relatively the same, you will see improvements in the Administration and procedures.

**Q.** The Gem Diner had to ask permission to put stainless steel siding on stainless steel, would it be more efficient to give the Planning Office some power to decide what can just be a simple answer rather than having to go to a public hearing?

Councilmember Chad Ryan mentioned that Corner Stores (especially the 4<sup>th</sup> one on a block) should have more vetting than a situation such as the Gem Diner.

**A.** Mr. Kerney stated that corner stores and steel siding should not have equal time for review, one should go quicker (the stainless steel is not that big of a deal). These type of situations should all be on paper, to take out any guesswork as to who gets a public hearing and who doesn't need one.

### Special Projects

- 1) Gary Crawford discussed his proposal for a pilot program that will teach Syracuse youths how to build boats and sail them in the Inner Harbor. Gary will submit Event Requirement documentation to the board before funding is disbursed. Requested amount \$2,604
- 2) Michael John Heagerty discussed his request for funding the Overpass Fest, which will occur over a 5 week period from May through June. The event will focus on the Creek Walk area as well as promote Lakefront TNT membership. Requested amount \$2,500
- 3) Creek Rats requested \$250 in funding to go towards the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Creek Float Event on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

All proposed projects totaled over the \$5,000 funding limit. Michael John offered to reduce his budget by \$250. This left a remainder of \$104 over budget. A resident suggested the \$104 be split 3 ways, reducing all budgets by about \$35 each. The group approved funding in the amount of:

- 1) Gary Crawford: \$2,569
- 2) Michael John Heagerty: \$2,215
- 3) Creek Rats: \$216

### City-Wide Update

Tina Zagya stated that TNT City-wide will have 3 Strategic Planning meetings: Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>. A flyer was distributed with the meeting location, The Gifford Foundation, as well as the time 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Members are asked to RSVP to determine how much food should be ordered for the event. There is also a page on our website [www.Tomorrowsneighborhoodstoday.org](http://www.Tomorrowsneighborhoodstoday.org) and a facebook event page.