

Adopted Minutes Special Council Meeting May 27, 2008

Mayor Slavik called a Special Meeting of the Plymouth City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Medicine Lake Conference Room of City Hall, 3400 Plymouth Boulevard, on May 27, 2008.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Slavik, Councilmembers Hewitt, Stein, Black, Murdock, Willis, and Bildsoe.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Ahrens, Community Development Director Juetten, Planning Manager Senness, and City Clerk Engdahl.

Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan Amendment for “Shops of Plymouth Town Center” at 2550 Vicksburg Lane North (Inland Commercial Property - 2007114)

Mayor Slavik stated this item was tabled from the May 13 Council meeting in order to allow the Council to meet with the applicant to discuss potential tenants and building architecture for this development.

Rick Plessner, from Inland Commercial Property, discussed with the Council their ideas and vision for this development. Listed below are suggestions that the Council made:

1. Incorporate the design of the new Hennepin County Library into this project. In addition, try to match the landscaping and hard surfaces with the library's site.
2. Use different elevations and roofline on the building.
3. Make the backside of the building (Vicksburg Lane side) look like the front of the building. In order to achieve this goal, the use of glass was suggested.
4. Construct green space on the south side of the building rather than parking spaces. This would make it an attractive place for people to gather.
5. Use of different materials on the building which would project a high quality design.
6. Construct entrances on the north and south sides of the building.
7. Discouraged the use of colored awnings on the building.
8. Construct a pedestrian walkway from Cub Foods to this site.
9. The landscaping in the parking lot needs to “plant friendly.” For example, removing the larger, high curbs in order that trees can survive.
10. Incorporate the City Center Guidelines in this project.
11. Include a component for orientation to families.

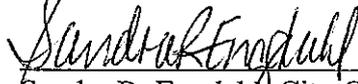
Mr. Plessner thanked the Council for their comments and suggestions as they try to design a development that is the best fit architecturally for this area.

Community Development Director Juetten stated this item is on tonight's regular Council

Meeting agenda with the requested action to continue it to the June 10, 2008 agenda. This would allow the applicant's architect the necessary time to review and incorporate the above comments and resubmit for staff review prior to that meeting.

Adjournment

Mayor Slavik adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.



Sandra R. Engdahl, City Clerk