

**PLANNING COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD
AT CHESTERFIELD CITY HALL
AUGUST 13, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. PRESENT

Mr. David Asmus
Mr. Fred Broemmer
Ms. Wendy Geckeler
Mr. G. Elliot Grissom
Ms. Lu Perantoni
Mr. Gene Schenberg
Mr. Michael Watson
Acting Chair David Banks

ABSENT

Chairman Maurice L. Hirsch, Jr.

Mayor John Nations
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City Attorney Rob Heggie
Mr. Michael Herring, City Administrator
Mr. Mike Geisel, Director of Planning & Public Works
Ms. Annissa McCaskill-Clay, Assistant Director of Planning
Ms. Mara Perry, Senior Planner
Ms. Susan Mueller, Principal Engineer
Mr. Charles Campo, Project Planner
Ms. Mary Ann Madden, Planning Assistant

II. INVOCATION: Commissioner Watson

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – All

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V. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

RE: Bull Moose Tube Executive Center ASDCP and Sign Package

Petitioner:

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1. Ms. Jackie Dunne, Saturn of West County, 14275 Manchester Road, St. Louis, MO was available for questions.
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 - The PI zoning is the only district where “office, warehouse, and light industrial uses” are available.

VII. SITE PLANS, BUILDING ELEVATIONS AND SIGNS

- A. **Bull Moose Tube Executive Center ASDCP and Sign Package:**
An Amended Site Development Concept Plan and Sign Package for 2.9 acres of land zoned “C8” Planned Commercial located between Forest Meadows Drive and Baxter Road on Clarkson Road.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending rejection of the Amended Site Development Concept Plan and Sign Package. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Commissioner Schenberg made a motion to hold the Amended Site Development Concept Plan and Sign Package until the August 27, 2007 Planning Commission Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Broemmer and passed by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

- B. **Chesterfield Medical Institute, LLC (Herman Stemme Office Park Lot 2c-2):** A Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Lighting Plan and Landscape Plan for a medical office in a “C8” Planned Commercial District at the intersection of Chesterfield Parkway East and Swingley Ridge Road.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Lighting Plan, and Landscape Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grissom and passed by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

- C. **Friendship Village of West County:** A Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations and Landscape Plan for a 34-acre tract of land zoned "NU" Non-Urban District, located at the northwest corner of Olive Blvd. and Arrowhead Estates Ln.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, and Landscape Plan with the condition that at least 5 of the 15 evergreen trees shown on the Landscape Plan be of a type other than white pine. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Geckeler and **passed** by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

- D. **Saturn of West County (Long Road Crossing):** Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Landscape Plan and Lighting Plan for a 5.34 acre parcel zoned "PC" Planned Commercial located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Long Road and Chesterfield Airport Road.

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Commissioner Geckeler made a motion to amend the motion requiring at least seven (7) evergreen trees to be of a variety other than white pine. Commissioners Asmus and Schenberg accepted the amendment to the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Aye: Commissioner Broemmer, Commissioner Geckeler,
Commissioner Grissom, Commissioner Schenberg,
Commissioner Watson,

Nay: Commissioner Asmus, Commissioner Perantoni,
Acting Chair Banks

The motion **passed** by a vote of 5 to 3.

- E. **Spirit Energy, LLC:** Amended Architectural Elevations for a 0.92 acre tract of land located at 14804 Clayton Road, south of Clayton Road and west of Wildwood Parkway. (Locator Number 21R420714).

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Amended Architectural Elevations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schenberg and **passed** by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **P.Z. 24-2007 Mark Andy Inc. (18081 Chesterfield Airport Rd.):** A request for a change of zoning from “M-3” Planned Industrial District to “PI” Planned Industrial District for a 23-acre tract of land located on the north side of Chesterfield Airport Road, one half mile west of the corner of Long Road and Chesterfield Airport Road. (17V510016)

STAFF PRESENTATION:

Mr. Charles Campo, Project Planner, stated that three issues had been identified at the Public Hearing, which remain open at this time:

- PC vs. PI zoning
- Cross access
- Access to the site

The following issues were added:

1. Circulation/entry into the site – access off of Chesterfield Airport Road.
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3. If the site is parked as necessary, would the setback requirements from Chesterfield Airport Road be adjusted? Mr. Campo stated that the Petitioner complies with the setback requirements and is no longer requesting a reduction to the setback.
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Commissioner Perantoni asked how a site is flood-proofed. Mr. Mike Geisel, Director of Planning & Pubic Works, replied that a site could be flood-proofed through a variety of measures, such as:

- By the use of particular building materials;
- By isolating a section of the building up to four feet;
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- By elevating the entrance;
- By installing a mechanical closure devise that would prevent water from entering the building.

Mr. Geisel noted that in the Valley, the flood elevations are relatively shallow so it is not a difficult thing to accomplish.

IX. NEW BUSINESS - None

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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 - The PI zoning is the only district where “office, warehouse, and light industrial uses” are available.

VII. SITE PLANS, BUILDING ELEVATIONS AND SIGNS

- A. **Bull Moose Tube Executive Center ASDCP and Sign Package:**
An Amended Site Development Concept Plan and Sign Package for 2.9 acres of land zoned “C8” Planned Commercial located between Forest Meadows Drive and Baxter Road on Clarkson Road.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending rejection of the Amended Site Development Concept Plan and Sign Package. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Commissioner Schenberg made a motion to hold the Amended Site Development Concept Plan and Sign Package until the August 27, 2007 Planning Commission Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Broemmer and passed by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

- B. **Chesterfield Medical Institute, LLC (Herman Stemme Office Park Lot 2c-2):** A Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Lighting Plan and Landscape Plan for a medical office in a “C8” Planned Commercial District at the intersection of Chesterfield Parkway East and Swingley Ridge Road.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Lighting Plan, and Landscape Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grissom and passed by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

- C. **Friendship Village of West County:** A Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations and Landscape Plan for a 34-acre tract of land zoned "NU" Non-Urban District, located at the northwest corner of Olive Blvd. and Arrowhead Estates Ln.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, and Landscape Plan with the condition that at least 5 of the 15 evergreen trees shown on the Landscape Plan be of a type other than white pine. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Geckeler and **passed** by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

- D. **Saturn of West County (Long Road Crossing):** Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Landscape Plan and Lighting Plan for a 5.34 acre parcel zoned "PC" Planned Commercial located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Long Road and Chesterfield Airport Road.

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Site Development Section Plan, Architectural Elevations, Landscape Plan, and Lighting Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schenberg.

Commissioner Geckeler made a motion to amend the motion requiring at least seven (7) evergreen trees to be of a variety other than white pine. Commissioners Asmus and Schenberg accepted the amendment to the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Aye: Commissioner Broemmer, Commissioner Geckeler,
Commissioner Grissom, Commissioner Schenberg,
Commissioner Watson,

Nay: Commissioner Asmus, Commissioner Perantoni,
Acting Chair Banks

The motion **passed** by a vote of 5 to 3.

- E. **Spirit Energy, LLC:** Amended Architectural Elevations for a 0.92 acre tract of land located at 14804 Clayton Road, south of Clayton Road and west of Wildwood Parkway. (Locator Number 21R420714).

Commissioner Asmus, representing the Site Plan Committee, made a motion recommending approval of the Amended Architectural Elevations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Schenberg and **passed** by a voice vote of 8 to 0.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **P.Z. 24-2007 Mark Andy Inc. (18081 Chesterfield Airport Rd.):** A request for a change of zoning from “M-3” Planned Industrial District to “PI” Planned Industrial District for a 23-acre tract of land located on the north side of Chesterfield Airport Road, one half mile west of the corner of Long Road and Chesterfield Airport Road. (17V510016)

STAFF PRESENTATION:

Mr. Charles Campo, Project Planner, stated that three issues had been identified at the Public Hearing, which remain open at this time:

- PC vs. PI zoning
- Cross access
- Access to the site

The following issues were added:

1. Circulation/entry into the site – access off of Chesterfield Airport Road.
2. Is the site over-parked? Mr. Campo replied that a portion of the site has more than the required parking.
3. If the site is parked as necessary, would the setback requirements from Chesterfield Airport Road be adjusted? Mr. Campo stated that the Petitioner complies with the setback requirements and is no longer requesting a reduction to the setback.
4. Are there any open space or green space changes associated with the rezoning?

Commissioner Perantoni asked how a site is flood-proofed. Mr. Mike Geisel, Director of Planning & Pubic Works, replied that a site could be flood-proofed through a variety of measures, such as:

- By the use of particular building materials;
- By isolating a section of the building up to four feet;
- By allowing water to flow through a structure;
- By elevating the entrance;
- By installing a mechanical closure devise that would prevent water from entering the building.

Mr. Geisel noted that in the Valley, the flood elevations are relatively shallow so it is not a difficult thing to accomplish.

IX. NEW BUSINESS - None

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Gene Schenberg, Secretary