

**MORTON PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES – APRIL 23, 2018**

The Plan Commission met on Monday, April 23, 2018, at the Freedom Hall, at 7:00 P.M., Chairman Ferrill presiding. Present: Ferrill, Ritterbusch, Smock, Knepp, DeWeese, Keach, Zobrist and Westlake. Absent: Fick. Also in attendance: Planning and Zoning Officer Roger Spangler and Attorney Pat McGrath.

Keach made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2018 meeting seconded by Zobrist, followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Public Hearing(s):

1) **An Ordinance Making Amendments Regarding Setback Variances To Chapter 10 Of Title 10 Of The Morton Municipal Code.** ZEO Spangler and Attorney McGrath explained the proposed ordinance change and how it is different from the proposal from last month’s meeting. Emphasizing that a variation shall not be granted outside of the Mixed Use Overlay District. There were no questions or concerns from the board. A motion to approve was made by Keach, followed by a second to approve by Westlake. This was followed by a vote to approve.

DeWeese	Yes	Ritterbusch	Yes
Zobrist	Yes	Ferrill	Yes
Smock	Yes	Knepp	Yes
Westlake	Yes	Keach	Yes

Approved

2) **An Ordinance Making Amendments Regarding Murals to Section 10-9-8 of Chapter 9 of Title 10 of the Morton Municipal Code.** Chairman Ferrill gave an overview on how the mural process is being done in Tucson, Arizona and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Speaking from the public, Leigh Ann Brown, the Executive Director of The Morton Chamber of Commerce and the CEO of The Economic Council. Mrs. Brown explained that the requests for murals in Morton have been from private entities. Mrs. Brown provided information on the Mural program in Memphis, Tennessee. For the board to review. There was much discussion on how this proposal would meet the needs of the mural requests. Keach made a motion to table the Ordinance proposal for the next meeting, so that more information can be obtained from other communities that have mural programs in place. A second was made to table by Zobrist. Followed by a vote to table. Attorney McGrath stated that he will draft two different Ordinance proposals for review for the next meeting.

DeWeese	Yes	Ritterbusch	Yes
Zobrist	Yes	Ferrill	Yes
Smock	Yes	Knepp	Yes
Westlake	Yes	Keach	Yes

Other Business: None

Roger Spangler: Nothing to report

With no further business, Westlake made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Ritterbusch, followed by a unanimous voice vote. Due to Memorial Day, the next regular meeting for the Plan Commission will be held on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.