

Joint Ordinance & Gas Committee Meeting
January 18, 2022 – 6:00pm (after Beautification Meeting)
Minutes – Stan Darter

Meeting Called to Order: 6:42pm

Committee Members Present - Darter- C, Notheisen – C, Heller, Trantham, Row, Hopkins
Others Present – T Smith, S Kennedy, M Buettner, T Birk, Ed Siemens

Agenda

(1) Petitions by Citizens Non-Agenda Items - None

(2) Rescinding the Vaccination, Testing, & Face Covering Policy

Darter stated this was a Policy not an Ordinance and should go on the February 7 City Council Agenda. No action taken in Ordinance Committee.

1) Review and comment on Utility Code Section 38-2-17(K)(1) regarding Ventless Fireplaces

Tim Birk stated the City gets in excess of 100 calls regarding possible Gas Leaks and homes are “extremely tight” that allows very little natural venting. For those reasons, Tim opposes changing the Ordinance to allow Ventless Fireplaces.

Nate Krebel handed out 38-2-17(K)(1) with proposed changes that would allow Vent Less gas fireplaces installed in accordance with NFPA 54 Gas Industry Guidelines.

Notheisen talked about how this change would only affect New Home construction where the Ventless Fireplaces would be installed by licensed plumbers and required to follow Ordinance 38-2-17(K)(1).

Discussion also touched on Ventless Gas Fireplaces/Heaters currently being installed by the homeowner with No City Oversight.

Heller made a motion to accept the proposed change to 38-2-17(K)(1), 2nd by Darter, vote was 3-2 in favor of the change (This vote was for Gas Committee)

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4) Review and Comment on Zoning Text Amendment to Section 40-4-15 regarding Business Sign Ordinance.

Nate Krebel passed out the proposed changes to Section 40-4-15. These changes would apply to The New Route 3 Corridor for businesses that front Route 3. These changes Do Not Apply to Route 3 Market Street.

Notheisen made a motion to recommend the proposed changes, 2nd by Heller, unanimous Yes vote.

5) Review and Comment on adding Convenience Stores to the Zoning Code.

Lengthy discussion about adding Convenience Stores to B2 or B3.

Discussion covered possible Building Size, Gas Pumps or No, etc.

Consensus was for Nathan Krebel to work on a Definition for Convenience Stores And then bring that back to Ordinance.

6) Comments – None

Motion by Heller to adjourn, 2nd by Notheisen, meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.