

## **Richmond City Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting**

**Date:** May 5, 2009

**Place:** City Offices

**Members Present:** Randy Jones as Chair, Commission members Chris Anderson, Daryl Black and Suzanne Dent present; Commission member Lee Anderson and Monica Merrill absent. Allen Lundgreen - City Council representative and Marlowe Adkins, City Manager, present.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes for the April 7, 2009 meeting were read and approved. Daryl Black moved to approve, seconded by Suzanne Dent. Vote was unanimous.

**Request for Banner Signs in Conjunction with the Richmond Farmers Market:** City Council member Terrie Wierenga appeared before the Commission to request that banner signs advertising the Richmond Farmers Market be permitted. The City initiated a Farmers Market last fall on a trial basis, and the results were very encouraging. This year the market site has been moved from the lawn by the Library to Pete Schropp's cheese business at 533 South State for a jointly benefitting effort. It is requested that the Farmers Market be allowed temporary pole banners directing interested parties to the market location, plus small banner-type signs to be tied to the lower support poles of the "Richmond" signs north and south on U. S. 91 (200 West) to be put up and taken down on Saturday's. The banners will be made of vinyl and will be removed once the harvest season concludes.

The Commission discussed the merits of such signage, with questions centering primarily upon utilization of the "Richmond" signs on the highway. Consulting the handbook, it was determined that the signs meet all size requirements. Suzanne Dent moved to approve the request, seconded by Chris Anderson. Vote was unanimous.

**Discussion on Up-dating the General Plan for Richmond:** It was noted that the current General Plan has been in effect for a full decade. Normally such plans are up-dated every five years. After some general discussion, it was suggested that this matter be investigated further with the idea of forming joint working committees made up of both P&Z Commissioners and City Council members.

Chris Anderson moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Daryl Black. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

**Next meeting is scheduled for June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009.**

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Randy Jones      Chair, P&Z Commission