



City of Madison
Meeting Minutes
Plan Commission Committee
Capitol Gateway Corridor Plan

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Monday, November 12, 2007

5:30 p.m.

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building)

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Tim Gruber, Lauren Cnare, Michael Basford*, Judy Olson, Beth Whitaker, and Nan Fey.

*Michael Basford Chaired the meeting.

Staff Present: Mark Olinger, Rebecca Cnare, and Linda Horvath.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the meeting of October 22, 2007 and October 30, 2007

Michael Basford reminded Committee members and the public that they are continuing to operate under the suspension of the rules to allow informal consideration of the items on the agenda. This suspension of the rules enables the Chair and members of the Committee to speak more freely than Roberts Rule's of Order would normally allow in order to obtain additional information from individuals with particular knowledge of the issues and other plans in the area.

On a motion by Cnare, seconded by Gruber, the Plan Commission Committee unanimously approved the minutes from both the October 22 and October 30 meetings. (Nan Fey abstained from the vote, as she was not present at the October 30 Meeting.)

3. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND DECISION MAKING TO RESOLVE DIFFERENCES IN HEIGHT AND OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS WITHIN THE PLANS

Mark Olinger gave a brief presentation and overview of the decision-making regarding height recommendations and bulk standards in the Capitol Gateway Corridor Plan. A brief discussion by Committee members and participants in the audience, followed.

Following that discussion, Rebecca Cnare gave an informal presentation of a virtual architectural model of how the Capitol Gateway Corridor Bulk Standards could be applied to new development. This "Sketch-up" model was used to analyze various views of the existing and potential future conditions of the corridor and allowed Committee members and the public to visualize how different heights relate to existing conditions. Committee members, and the public, asked to see various views of the corridor and a lengthy discussion followed.

Dick Wagner, 239 Jenifer Street, speaking neither in support nor opposition, but to provide information to the Committee, was recognized by the Chair, and gave a brief presentation of the decision making process of the East Rail Corridor Plan, and downtown design zones with respect to issues surrounding building heights. Discussion followed.

Appearing and speaking neither in support nor opposition, but to provide information to the Committee was David Waugh, 1213 East Mifflin Street; John Hendrick, 1315 Spaight Street; and Patrick McDonnell, Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Association Representative.

4. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS

The Committee reaffirmed the scheduled tour of the study area for Saturday December 1, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. The Committee and the interested public is to meet at EVP Coffee, 1250 East Washington Avenue, Madison WI 53703. (Located at the corner of Baldwin Street and East Washington Avenue.)

5. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Continued discussion of bulk standards and Building Heights.

6. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Cnare, seconded by Gruber, the Committee unanimously adjourned at 7:45 p.m.