**MINUTES**

**Livingston Parish**

**May 31, 2022**

Pursuant to notice duly posted in the public lobby of the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, the Livingston Parish Ordinance Committee met on May 31, 2022, at the hour of six o’clock (6:00) p.m. in the Parish Council Chambers, located in the Livingston Parish Governmental Building, 20355 Governmental Boulevard, Livingston, Louisiana with the following members present:

Jeff Ard

Garry Talbert

Shane Mack- Vice-chair

Tracy Girlinghouse- Chair

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The Chairman, Councilman Tracy Girlinghouse, called the meeting to order.

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The Chair began by addressing item 3, Old Business.

Councilman Delatte addressed item 3a, “Required studies and statistical data” with no action being taken.

Public Input: Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Lee Foster, DSLD Homes

 Scott Lobell, Licensed Engineer

The Chair then moved to item 3b, “Fire Protection Review” with no action being taken.

Public Input: Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Deric Murphy, QES

 Gerald McMorris, Council District No. 6

The Chair then moved to item 3c, “Wetland regulations” with no action being taken.

Public Input: Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Lee Foster, DSLD Homes

 Deric Murphy, QES

Having none, the Chair then addressed item 4, new business and item 4a “School Impact Fees”

Having no information they will take this item up at the next meeting.

The Chair then addressed an additional item under item 4, new business. Council member Randy Delatte proposed the following parameters for the Council in approving preliminary plats.

“Council Voting Authority:

It is the intent of this ordinance to set parameters for the Livingston Parish Council in preliminary plat approval

A. Current Subdivision regulations provide the procedural and technical requirements that must be met to create lots upon which a property can be built. These regulations govern the plat approval thus eliminating the need for Livingston Parish Council involvement.

B. Evidence found in studies such as traﬃc, drainage, school, fire, etc are moot in the

councils’ authority to approve or deny.

C. The Livingston Parish Council is not authorized to vote yes or no based on findings and needs of the community aﬀected the councils only job is to determine if the proposed development meets all ordinances.

D. Thus, the Livingston Parish Council’s current authority in preliminary plat approval or denial shall be transferred to the planning department and administrative staﬀ for the required administrative procedures for rubber stamping.

E. The planning department and administrative staﬀ shall schedule and hold all public

meetings required by state law.”

Public Input: Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Scooter Keen, Council District No. 3

 Debra Blount

Taking no action, the Chair moved on to item 6, “Discussions, a. “Dirt Fill Ordinance”

The Chair called upon Councilman Gerald McMorris to discuss.

Public Input: Gerald McMorris, Council District No. 6

 Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Scott Lobell

Taking no action, the Chair moved to item 6b, “Requirements for upstream/downstream requirements for subdivisions that has 11 or more homes.”

The Chair called upon Councilman Gerald McMorris to discuss.

Public Input: Gerald McMorris, Council District No. 6

 Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Deric Murphy, QES

Taking no action, the Chair moved to item 6c, “Street entrances and road width requirements for all development.”

Public Input: Randy Delatte, Council District No. 8

 Deric Murphy, QES

Taking no action, the Chair moved to item 7, “Recommendations” a. “Building Lines/Setbacks on State and Federal Roads and Highways in Future Growth Corridors”.

Public Input: Gerald Burns

A **MOTION** was offered by Shane Mackand duly seconded by Jeff Ard to send the following with a positive recommendation to the Council:

“**Section 125-\_\_\_. Building Lines/Setbacks that are Adjacent to Future Highway Growth Corridor(s)**

The “Future Highway Growth Corridor(s)” in Livingston Parish are defined as follows:

1. U.S. Highway 190 (Florida Boulevard) from ~~Denham Springs City limits to the Town of Livingston municipal limits~~ **parish line to parish line with the municipalities exempt.**

These requirements shall only apply to the building lines/setbacks of buildings and other structures that are adjacent to **the edge of the existing Louisiana Department of Transportation Department Right-of-Way.**

**Existing permanent buildings and other structures are grandfathered in and do not apply to these building/setbacks requirements.**

No permanent structure (above or below the ground) shall be located within the building lines/setbacks, other than signs for on site businesses or developments that do not block visibility. The building lines/setbacks may also be used for parking, underground utilities, drainage, green areas (landscaping and planting) and access.

The building lines/setbacks shall apply to duplexes, row houses, townhomes, garden homes, mobile home parks, all commercial developments, unclassified residential and commercial developments, mixed use residential and commercial properties, planned downtown developments, small neighborhood businesses and small businesses, agricultural and industrial properties, all multi-family developments, subdivisions with improvements, subdivisions without improvements, minor subdivisions and all single family residences, any and all other commercial and non-commercial projects, such as: sewer lift stations, electrical substations, water wells and tanks, etc.

The building lines/setbacks shall be as follows:

1. Twenty feet (20’) side yard building lines/setbacks for residential and commercial buildings where customer parking is facing the store front side of the buildings and not facing thefuture highway growth corridor(s).
2. Twenty feet (20’) rear building lines/setbacks for residential and commercial buildings where the customer parking is facing the store front of the building and not facing thefuture highway growth corridor(s).
3. Forty feet (40’) front yard building lines/setbacks for residential and commercial buildings where the customer store front parking is in front facing the future highway growth corridor(s).

With no further discussion and where none opposed. The motion passes.

The Chair then moved to item 7b, “Ordinance establishing the governing authority for Zoning.”

A **MOTION** was offered by Garry Talbertand duly seconded by Jeff Ard to send the ordinance creating the Zoning authority, approved by Mr. Chris, to the Council with a positive recommendation. With no further discussion and where none opposed. The motion passes.

Having no other business, a **MOTION** was offered by Garry Talbertand duly seconded by Jeff Ard to adjourn the May 31, 2022 meeting of the Livingston Parish Ordinance Committee, with no further discussion and where none opposed.

/s/ Lauren R White /s/ Tracy Girlinghouse

Lauren White, Deputy Clerk Tracy Girlinghouse, Chairman