

**City of Kenmore
Planning Commission Meeting
July 20, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Planning Commission Members – In Attendance (the meeting was held virtually using the Zoom online platform)

Mark Ohrenschall, Chair
Mike Vanderlinde, Vice Chair
Tracy Banaszynski
Suzanne Greathouse
Nathan Loutsis
Dennis Olson
Dwight Thompson

Consultants & Staff

Lauri Anderson, Principal Planner
Debbie Bent, Community Development Director
Rita Moreno, Recreation Coordinator/ Admin. Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ohrenschall at 7:00 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Vicky Grayland shared her background with corner stores living in Chicago and shared her support of corner stores in Kenmore.

Elizabeth Mooney asked if her husband's email was received. She also shared concerns about Lakepointe being a toxic site.

Stacey Valenzuela Concerns about TI' awh-ah-dees Park, and the environmental impacts of the construction. Also shared concerns with the corner stores being discussed at the meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes – A motion to approve by unanimous consent was made by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner Loutsis seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

4. AGENDA ITEMS

- Land Use Element Update: Corner Stores in Residential Areas

City Staff gave a brief overview of Corner Stores in Residential Areas. Staff also summarized policies for corner stores in nearby jurisdictions. Commissioners had questions corner store vs accessory commercial unit. Also asked for clarification about commercial. What is the concept? There was then conversation on the Amendments to Kenmore's Comprehensive Plan. Commissioners gave feedback on proposed amendments and had in depth discussion on the amendments. Discussion was about types of corner stores, parking, raising the walkability score of neighborhoods, examining regions within the city that are appropriate for these types of stores. There was also discussion on boulevard vs streets, and where corner stores would be a good fit. Commissioners also discussed the off street parking and what the limitations should be for off street parking for corner stores.

There was a question about the Consent agreement and how it relates to lake pointe, asked where they could get more information to gain knowledge of the agreement.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ohrenschall adjourned the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

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Approved by Planning Commission on: _____