

**CITY OF LEXINGTON, NEBRASKA
PLANNING COMMISSION
January 2, 2013**

A Regular Meeting of the Lexington Planning Commission was held Wednesday, January 2, 2013, in the Council Chambers at the Lexington City Hall, 406 E. 7th Street, Lexington, Nebraska, at 5:30 p.m. Commissioners present were Seth McFarland, Cathy Fagot, Doug Heineman, Ellie Vazquez, Nancy Evans, Steve Smith, and Curt Bennett. Rusty Sutton and Keevin Hardiman were absent. City Officials present were City Manager Joe Peplitsch, Assistant City Manager Dennis Burnside, Building Inspector Bill Brecks, and Secretary Pamela Berke. The press was presented by the Kearney Hub. Jeff Ray and David Potter, JEO Consulting, and Brian Ray, HDR, were also in attendance.

NOTICE: Notice of the meeting was given in advance, thereof by publication in the Lexington Clipper-Herald, the designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these Minutes. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all Members of the Planning Commission. The proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. All items presented and discussed on the Agenda were available for public inspection.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Seth McFarland. The Chairman informed the public that the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Meeting Room at the Lexington City Hall, located at 406 East 7th Street, Lexington, Nebraska.

**MINUTES – MEETING
11-7-12** Minutes of the Regular Meeting held Wednesday, November 7, 2012, were presented to the Lexington Planning Commission for consideration and approval. Moved by Smith, seconded by Fagot, to approve Minutes as presented. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Bennett, Evans, Vazquez, Heineman, Fagot, Smith, McFarland. Motion carried.

**RECOGNITION OF
APPOINTMENTS:** Commission recognized the reappointments of Cathy Fagot, Curt Bennett, and Seth McFarland, and the appointment of Keevin Hardiman to serve the next three years as Commission members.

ELECTION OF CHAIR: Chairman McFarland opened nominations for the Chairperson for 2013. Moved by Bennett, seconded by

Fagot, to nominate and appoint Seth McFarland as Chair of the Lexington Planning Commission for 2013. Nominations were closed. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Smith, Evans, Vazquez, Heineman Fagot, Bennett, McFarland. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF VICE –CHAIR

Chairman McFarland opened nominations for Vice-Chairperson for 2013. Moved by Evans, seconded by Bennett, to nominate and appoint Doug Heineman as Vice-Chairperson. Nominations were closed. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Smith, Vazquez, Heineman, Fagot, Bennett, Evans, McFarland. Motion carried.

BD OF ADJUSTMENT REPESENTATIVE:

Chairman McFarland opened nominations for a representative to the Board of Adjustment for 2013. Moved by McFarland, seconded by Fagot, to nominate and appoint Curt Bennett as the representative to the Board of Adjustment. Nominations were closed. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Heineman, Vazquez, Evans, Smith, Fagot, McFarland. Voting “no” was Bennett. Motion carried.

SECRETARY:

Chairman McFarland requested consideration for Secretary for 2013. Moved by Smith, seconded by Fagot, to nominate and appoint Pamela Berke as Secretary of the Planning Commission for 2013. Nominations were closed. Roll call. Voting “aye” were Bennett, Evans, Vazquez, Heineman, Fagot, Smith, McFarland. Motion carried.

COMP PLAN WKSHP:

Consultants from JEO Consulting and HDR, commission members and city staff participated in the Achieve portion of the Comprehensive Plan Update. Findings from the town hall and focus group meetings, various individual interviews, data from the MindMixer website, and population projections were discussed. Ideas for future land uses, and goals and policies were also considered. Draft chapters encompassing the collected information will be forwarded to city staff for distribution to planning commission members prior to the February meeting.

ROUNDTABLE:

Berke will forward NPZA conference information to Planning Commission members and requested that anyone interested in attending to contact her.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Lexington Planning Commission, Chairman Fagot declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Berke
Planning Commission Secretary