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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
LANSING PLANNING BOARD
6:30 p.m., Main Level
Fire Station #1, Community Room
120 E. Shiawassee Street
Tuesday, March 17, 2009**

1. OPENING SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Chairman Frederick

- A. Roll call: Present: Frederick, Graham, Williams, Ruge & Cordill
- B. Staff Attending: Rieske, Stanley
- C. Excused Absences: Bruch, Nelson, Tobe

B. Williams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cordill to approve an excused absence for Ms. Tobe. On a voice vote, the motion carried (5-0).

B. Williams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cordill to approve an excused absence for Ms. Nelson. On a voice vote, the motion carried (5 -0).

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Graham made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the agenda with the following changes:

- 1. Remove Act-1-09 from the agenda, and
- 2. Move Act-17-08 to the consent agenda

On a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously (5-0).

3. COMMUNICATIONS – None.

4. HEARINGS - None

5. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Linn Driver, 4248 W. Saginaw Highway, Grand Ledge, MI stated that the comment from the City Development Office on Page 2 of the staff report is incorrect. He said that Howe Avenue is not used to access the BWL property.

Mr. Driver also said that the Transportation Engineer mentions the possibility that the property could be used for residential purposes. He said that this is unlikely to happen and if it did, the property could be accessed from Paulson Street.

6. **RECESS** was not taken by the Board.

7. **BUSINESS SESSION**

A. **Consent Items**

1. **Minutes for Approval:** March 3, 2009

The minutes of March 3, 2009 were approved without objection.

2. **Act-17-2008, Vacation of Howe Ave., East of Seventh Street**

The request to vacate Howe Ave., east of Seventh Ave. as requested, reserving utility easements as appropriate, was approved without objection.

B. **Committee Reports**

1. Zoning and Ordinance Committee, Mr. Ruge

Next meeting, Wednesday, April 15, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.,
316 N. Capitol Ave., Department Conference Room

2. URBAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, Ms. Cordill

Next meeting, Tuesday, March 24, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.
316 N. Capitol Ave., Department Conference Room.

3. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. **Old Business** – None.

D. **Report from Planning Manager**

Mr. Rieske stated that there will be discussion about Capital Improvements and the Master Plan and the upcoming UDC meeting. He also said that there will be a meeting on March 25, 2009 regarding the "workshop in a box" concept. He stated that the necessary information will be forwarded to the Planning Board members.

E. Pending Items: Future action required

1. Zoning and Ordinance Committee
2. Urban Development Committee
 - a. Master Plan Project
3. Committee of the Whole
 - a. SLU-5-2008, 528 N. Pine Street
4. Planning Board

8. NEW BUSINESS - None

9. COMMENTS FROM CHAIRPERSON - None

10. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

11. BOARD MEMBER CODE ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION REPORTS

- a. Dollar Store - Willow Street & MLK Blvd. - landscaping & buffering (May 20, 2003)
- b. W. Willow Street - Grace Tabernacle Church - no landscaping (May 4, 2004)
- c. 2702 S. Cedar Street - no landscaping (May 18, 2004)
- d. 2410 S. Pennsylvania Ave. - no landscaping (November 3, 2004)
- e. The Firm – review requirements for fenced outdoor patio (December 5, 2006)
- f. Washington Square Tavern – permanent outdoor patio & inadequate room on the sidewalk (November 20, 2007)

12. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Rieske
Secretary, Planning Board