

A Joint Work Session of the Oxford City Council and Planning Commission was called to order by Mayor Richard Keebler on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. The Council members present were, Ken Bogard, Bob Blackburn, John Harman, Kevin McKeehan, Kate Rousmaniere and Steve Snyder. The Planning Commission members present were, David Prytherch, Chair, Rich Daniels, Bob Benson, Kate Rousmaniere, and Richard Keebler, Vice Chair.

Staff members present: Doug Elliott, City Manager; Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director; Alan Kyger, Economic Development Director; Steve McHugh, Law Director and Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Bogard moved to approve the Agenda. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion carried 10-0-0.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Work Session was for Council and the Planning Commission to discuss the Planning Commission's goals and priorities for 2013 and beyond.

GOALS AND PRIORITIES

Mr. Prytherch provided a PowerPoint presentation with the assistance of Mr. Chen. Mr. Prytherch discussed the Planning Commission's major accomplishments in 2012 including the creation of a Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District, the acceptance of the 'Shifting Gears' document with regard to alternative transportation planning, the amendment of R3 zoning and the overhaul of the non-conformities ordinance and a minor revision of the General Business District. Mr. Prytherch discussed the Planning Commission's major priorities for 2013 and outlined the amendments they wanted to propose to the existing zoning code, the need to diversify commercial zoning and related issues, the need to continue to plan for alternative modes of transportation and the ongoing related issues and the need to update parking requirements and related issues.

Mr. Snyder noted it was good to be proactive instead of reactive and noted he was pleased with what Mr. Prytherch presented.

Mr. Blackburn noted another Joint Work Session could be scheduled in 6 months or so if it would be useful to keep things moving forward.

Mr. Bogard suggested setting short term and long term goals to keep initiatives moving forward.

Mayor Keebler noted the Planning Commission would work on difficult items and not so difficult items at the same time in an effort to accomplish their goals.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bogard moved to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. Mr. Harman seconded. The motion carried 10-0-0.