MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MAY 20, 2024

PL(P) 24-13: Street Closure Request for a portion of Robin Hood Drive from Westmoreland Drive southward approximately 110 feet to its terminus. (RECOMMENDED APPROVAL)

Mr. Carter reviewed the summary information for the street closure and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission is considering a recommendation on closing the following street:

1) A portion of Robin Hood Drive from Westmoreland Drive southward approximately 110 feet to its terminus.

The total area of R-O-W that is requested to be closed is identified as approximately 5,494 square feet (0.13 acres). The signee makes up 100% of the road frontage along the R-O-W requested to be closed.

Mr. Carter stated that the City must make two determinations in order to close the street: (1) that closing the street to vehicular traffic is not contrary to the public interest; and (2) that no property owner in the vicinity is deprived of reasonable means of ingress and egress. He noted that the Technical Review Committee recommended approval of the proposed street closure with the following condition:

1) In order for the street closure to be final a plat must be recorded recombining the area within the right of way with the property identified as 1411 Benjamin Parkway.

Ms. Skenes inquired about the dedication of the road parcel, noting the parcel should be shared between the properties on either side. Mr. Carter agreed and stated that usually the road parcel is divided along the center line. He mentioned that the applicant owns the properties on either side of road and indicated that the road parcel would be recombined with the larger property identified as 1411 Benjamin Parkway.

Chair O'Connor had a similar concern to Ms. Skenes and said that the property with the parsonage would not have direct access to Robin Hood Drive. She added that since the applicant owns the properties on either side of the road the closure is acceptable and she supported the request.

Chair O'Connor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the street closure. Hearing none, Chair O'Connor inquired if there was anyone wishing to speak in opposition to the request. Hearing none, Chair O'Connor closed the public hearing.

Mr. Engle made a motion to recommend the street closure request with the condition referenced seconded by Mr. Downing. The Commission voted 7-0, (Ayes: Chair Sandra O'Connor, Skenes, Downing, Engle, Gilmer Sr., Egbert and Glass. Nays: (None).

Chair O'Connor advised the votes constituted a favorable recommendation and was subject to a public hearing at the Tuesday, June 18, 2024 City Council Meeting.