

Stockbridge Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting November 26th, 2024

7:00 PM Township Hall

I. Call to Order at 7:02 P.M.

A. Roll Call

Erin Clifton - Not Present
Randy Snyder - Present
Larry Ostrander - Present
William Lantis - Present
Brian Diffenbaugh - Present
Terry Sommer - Present
Mandy Urquhart - Present

Also, in attendance:

Applicant – Ali Family Ventures, INC. + Guest
Applicant – Stockbridge Ventures LLC
Township Supervisor – CG Lantis
Zoning Manager – Katrina Griffith
Township Clerk – Rebecca Muraf + Guest
Recording Secretary - Amanda Hahn

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Larry Ostrander and supported by Brian Diffenbaugh to amend the agenda with the correction to roll call (Ostrander listed twice, replaced by William Lantis). Vote passed 6/0.

D. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Larry Ostrander and supported by Terry Sommer to approve the Meeting Minutes from the October 13th meeting as written. Vote passed 6/0.

II. Public Comment – All Comments are limited to 3 Minutes.

None

III. Guests:

None

IV. Public Hearing:

MEETING START AT 7:10 P.M.

A. A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STOCKBRIDGE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE:

ARTICLE 7 SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

SECTION 7.02.23 MEDICAL & RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES

(SEE ATTACHED RECOMMENDATION FROM ZONING DEPARTMENT)

Review Staff Findings:

Katrina Griffith from the Zoning Department reviewed the staff findings and found there were area's needing clarification within the ordinance were as follows:

- Bonds: In regards to \$10,000 bonds needed for a grow facility vs. a retail facility.
- Set Backs: Changed to abide by the State of Michigan Set Back regulations.
- Sizing of Structure: In regards to minimum sizing needed for a grow facility vs. a retail facility.
- Continuous Days of Operating/Operation: Changed to abide by the State of Michigan regulations from the original 60 days to 30 days.

Testimony from applicant if applicable:

None

Public Comment:

- Question was raised to if the setbacks for this proposed establishment meets the requirements The State of Michigan has set in place – The Answer to that is Yes.

A motion was made by Larry Ostrander and supported by Terry Sommer to Approve the Proposal to Amend the Stockbridge Township Zoning Ordinance – Article 7 Supplementary Regulations – Section 7.02.23 Medical & Recreational Marihuana Facilities. Vote Passed 6/0.

MEETING END AT 7:21 P.M.

MEETING START AT 7:22 P.M.

B. CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A MARIHUANA PROVISIONING CENTER.

Review Staff Findings:

Katrina Griffith from the Zoning Department reviewed the staff findings as follows:

- Submitted all required documents to apply for a Provisioning Center.
- Medical/Recreational Marihuana are Approved retail items to be sold in CSC (Community Service Commercial) District.
- Established lease in an Approved Shopping Center
- Renovating Retail Space to meet State Requirements.

Testimony from Applicant:

- Wants to be able to be a big part of this community:
 - o Bringing business to town and being involved in community functions.
 - o Being able to help promote alternative medicine to those with ailments.
 - o Looks forward to bringing good, honest business to the community with employment opportunity.

Public Comment:

- None

A motion was made by Larry Ostrander and supported by William Lantis to approve the **MARIHUANA PROVISIONING CENTER** with conditions of Building Renovations to meet Local and State Building Code requirements, in addition to meeting standard Zoning Department Requirements. Vote to Roll Call - passed 6/0.

MEETING END AT 7:40 P.M.

MEETING START AT 7:47 P.M.

C. CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A MARIHUANA RETAILER

Review Staff Findings:

Katrina Griffith from the Zoning Department reviewed the staff findings as follows:

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- Medical/Recreational Marihuana are Approved retail items to be sold in CSC (Community Service Commercial) District.
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Public Comment:

- None

A motion was made by Larry Ostrander and supported by Terry Sommer to approve the **MARIHUANA RETAILER** with conditions of Building Renovations to meet Local and State Building Code requirements, in addition to meeting standard Zoning Department Requirements. Vote to Roll Call - passed 6/0.

MEETING END AT 7:55 P.M

V. Old Business:

- A. None**

VI. New Business:

- A. None**

VII. Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Larry Ostrander and supported by Brian Diffenbaugh to adjourn the regular **November 26th, 2024** meeting of the Planning commission at **7:56 P.M.** The Vote passed 6/0.