

Staff Responses to Council Questions
6/9/2020

Item 8. First Reading A. Ordinance: Authorize a Special Use to Establish an Accessory Use Before the Principal Use is Established at 3131 Finley Road

It appears that the conditions of approval do not require the parking lot parcel to be consolidated with the office building parcel. Please provide additional information as to why a consolidation of these parcels is not required.

The properties have two different zoning classifications. The 3131 Finley Road property is zoned B3, General Services and Highway Business, while the 1400 Opus Place is zoned ORM, Office, Research and Manufacturing. If the properties were consolidated and rezoned to ORM, it would limit the ability of the property owner to redevelop the 3131 Finley Road lot if parking was no longer needed.

Attachments

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Agenda Section	Agenda Item	Comment	Commenter
11. Public Comment	Comments of a general nature	<p>Hello, I am disturbed by the recent events to our town, however I am more disturbed by the fact that no notifications went out to our residents. The businesses were informed that trouble might be brewing, but I had to find out from a co-worker that downtown was being boarded up. We live one block from downtown at 1101 Maple and we had no idea trouble was brewing. After finding out from a co-worker what was happening, my husband and I left work early and cleaned our yard of anything that could be thrown or destroyed by rioters, and looters. It took us about one hour to drag everything in or around back, and chained the gate to our back yard. We are grateful that nothing happened on Tuesday night, but found out that the event has been postponed to Sunday. How did I find that out you ask? Another co-worker.....hmmm. We receive notices when people walk away from their homes, we receive a notice when Best Buy gets looted, but one block from our home businesses are being boarded up and we get nothing! No email, no text, no phone call! What is wrong with this system?????????</p>	<p>Margaret Knight 1101 Maple Avenue Downers Grove</p>
11. Public Comment	Comments of a general nature	<p>Do Downers Grove on-duty police officers wear body cameras? Some research suggests body-worn cameras benefit police as well as community members. Body-worn camera should be turned on immediately when officers respond to a police call. If this is not current practice in Downers Grove can we make it happen?</p>	<p>Louise Kelly 206 55th Place Downers Grove</p>
11. Public Comment	Comments of a general nature	<p>Questions to the Mayor, Village Council, Village Manager, Chief of Police and all Department heads: How will you demonstrate that Black lives matter?? How with the Village of Downers Grove operate to ensure that every life is valued equally and every person's rights protected equally?? How will the process of selecting, training and funding the Police Dept, as well as every staff position within the Village, reflect these values? This includes implicit bias training, an audit of policies and procedures, and any necessary revisions and/or reforms needed to dismantle racism that has become institutionalize within the Village's operations. Are you willing to create a commission and allocate resources dedicated to this effort? How will you change the Village's annual budgeting process to include a broader range of perspectives to reflect and include the priorities of all residents, not just those who are in leadership positions within local government. I know it's a lot of questions. Please answer those you can today and let us know when we can expect answers for those you cannot answer today. I want to hold you and myself accountable for making sure that change happens, the march on Sunday was incredible and powerful, but that was the beginning, not the end. Thank you for your service to our town.</p>	<p>Anjali Alva 7219 Ticonderoga Place Downers Grove</p>
11. Public Comment	Comments of a general nature	<p>Good evening Council</p> <p>We live on a street that only has sidewalks on the opposite side. I am wondering the procedure for requesting sidewalks on our side of the block? Our home is in a neighborhood school community where our children will be walking to school. Currently in order to walk to school they will have to walk in the street to get to the corner and then cross a street at an intersection with no stop sign. This is concerning for me. Children should not have to walk in the street for multiple blocks to access a safe route to school. What is the villages plan for adding additional sidewalks to neighborhood school routes? If a current plan is not in place, how can a resident start the process to request a sidewalk? This is very important to the safety of our neighborhood children.</p> <p>Thank you for you dedication to serving Downers Grove.</p> <p>Meghan Landers</p>	<p>Meghan Landers</p>