MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS
TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2014

1. Open Regular Meeting.
   Allison Thrash, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

2. Call Roll.
   Joan Jackson, City Secretary, called roll. Present was Allison Thrash, Babs Yarbrough, Kit Hopkins and Rett Scudder. Absent was Ruan Lourens and Missy Thost.

3. Citizens Comments.
   Nancy Carufel, 8108 Joy Rd, Volente, TX asked about internet connection in the Council Room.

4. Approval of the June 10, 2014 Meeting Minutes.
   Commissioner Scudder made a motion to approve the June 10, 2014 minutes. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

5. Discussion and Possible Recommendation on the current Village of Volente Comprehensive Plan and Community Survey.
   a. Review of Chapters Three and Four of the Current VOV Comprehensive Plan.
      The Commissioners reviewed Chapter 3 and 4 of the Comprehensive Plan page by page. Edits, changes, and additions to the plan were discussed. Commissioner Scudder made a motion to recommend acceptance of each of the edits to the Comprehensive Plan. Commissioner Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

   b. Presentation by Chair Thrash regarding Community Survey.
      Allison Thrash, Chair, made a statement that it was her recommendation that the Village reissue the 2004 original Community Survey as soon as possible.

She continued by explaining Volente would benefit by a comparison of where we are now in 2014 and where we were in 2004. She read the bid submissions by Dan Sefko, Planning Director/Urban Planning & Design, Freese & Nichols, Austin, TX of $9500.00, Carper Davis, Senior Research Consultant, Infosurv, Atlanta, GA of $7,850.00 and Dave Roberts, Roberts Research, $7400.00 with a $1000.00 optional presentation, Survey Monkey, $780.00 and PollDaddy, $899.99.

6. Close Regular Meeting.
   The regular meeting was closed at 8:01 p.m.

7. Open Public Hearing on Comprehensive Plan and Community Survey.
   Public hearing opened at 8:03 p.m.
   a. Citizens Comments.
      Joe Lamoreaux, 15201 FM 2769, Volente, TX, asked for clarification on the process.
      Scott Spurlin, FM 2769, Volente, TX said we need a stated objective on the survey.
      Jan Yenawine, 15600 FM 2769, Volente, TX said the original survey is a good one and changing the survey will not give us an accurate comparable.
      Mark Scott, 15749 Booth Circle, Volente, TX spoke in favor of using the original survey.
      Judy Graci, 15775 Booth Circle, Volente, TX spoke in favor of sending out the original survey and see what has changed. The survey needs to be accessible to all.
      Nancy Carufel, 8138 Joy Rd. Volente, TX spoke against using the original survey.
      Frederick Graber, 15941 Booth Circle, Volente, TX spoke for using the original survey, adding a recommendation to mail the survey (with the option to complete it online included) to ensure everyone has the opportunity to provide input.
      Barbara Wilson, City Administrator, read statement from Ken Beck who could not be present.

8. Close Public Hearing.
   The public hearing closed at 8:50 p.m.

9. Open Regular Meeting.
   Allison Thrash, Chair, opened the regular meeting at 8:50 p.m.

10. Discussion and Possible Recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission to Finance Committee on Commission Budget Requests for Next Fiscal Year.
    a. Review of Proposals from Confidential, Third Party Survey Statistician/Analysts.

The Commissioners discussed mailing the survey to residents or using a survey online or trying to combine both in order to reach all the residents. Commissioner Scudder asked the Staff and Commission Members to contact Survey Monkey to obtain the costs to reproduce the Volente 2004 survey and if they can calculate an additional cost for preparing a paper survey identical to the electronic survey. He would like to know if they can have the survey ready prior to Labor Day so the Commission can know where to move forward. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
Commissioner Scudder made a motion to make September 30, 2014 the deadline for all other committees to submit their additional questions for the survey. Commissioner Hopkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Other.
Commissioner Scudder made a motion to ask the Budget and Finance Committee for $9,000.00 for the Planning and Zoning Commission for Fiscal Year 2014/15. Commissioner Hopkins seconded the vote. The motion passed three to one with Commissioners Scudder, Hopkins and Thrash voting for the motion and Commissioner Yarbrough voting against the motion.

Public Comments was reopened to allow late arriving members of the public Judy Barrick and Tony Vacca to present their comments. After combative behavior and profane comments were directed at Commissioner Hopkins, City Administrator Wilson and attendee Jan Yenawine from Ms. Barrick, City Administrator Wilson acted as Sergeant-at-Arms and established order. Once order was established, public comment was received.
Judy Barrick, 15907 Booth Circle, Volente, TX spoke against sending out the original Volente survey.
Tony Vacca, 15935 Booth Circle, Volente, TX asked the Commission to allow as much equal space on the survey for new questions as the original questions.

11. Adjourn.
Commissioner Hopkins made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Yarbrough seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved this 12th day of August, 2014.

Allison Thrash, Chair

Joan Jackson

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