MINUTES CITY OF ST. CHARLES PLAN COMMISSION TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023

Members Present:	Laurel Moad Karen Hibel Jeffrey Funke Zachary Ewoldt Dave Rosenberg Chris Studebaker
Members Absent:	Peter Vargulich Colleen Wiese Gary Gruber
Also Present:	Russell Colby, Director of Community Development Derek Conley, Director of Economic Development Ellen Johnson, Planner Rachel Hitzemann, Planner Monica Hawk, Development Engineer Court Reporter

1. Call to order

Vice Chair Funke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Ms. Moad called the roll. A quorum was present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Presentation of minutes of the December 20, 2022 meeting of the Plan Commission

Motion was made by Ms. Moad, seconded by Ms. Hibel and unanimously passed by voice vote to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022 Plan Commission meeting.

Verizon Cell Tower, 4050 E. Main St. (DRA Properties, LLC) Application for Special Use a. Public Hearing

The attached transcript prepared by Planet Depos Court Reporting is by reference hereby made a part of these minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Moad to continue the public hearing to the next Plan Commission meeting scheduled for March 21, 2023. Seconded by Mr. Ewoldt.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Hibel, Funke, Ewoldt, Rosenberg, Studebaker, Moad Nays: Absent: Vargulich, Wiese, Gruber Motion carried 6-0

b. Discussion and Recommendation

Not applicable.

 6. Charlestowne Lakes PUD – Townhome Building Height (D.R. Horton, Inc. - Midwest) Application for Special Use (PUD Amendment)
 a. Public Hearing

The attached transcript prepared by Planet Depos Court Reporting is by reference hereby made a part of these minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Studebaker to close the public hearing. Seconded by Ms. Hibel.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Hibel, Funke, Ewoldt, Rosenberg, Studebaker, Moad Nays: Absent: Vargulich, Wiese, Gruber Motion carried: 6-0

b. Discussion and Recommendation

The attached transcript prepared by Planet Depos Court Reporting is by reference hereby made a part of these minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Moad and seconded by Mr. Ewoldt to recommend approval of an Application for Special Use (PUD Amendment) for Charlestowne Lakes PUD – Townhome Building Height, subject to resolution of all staff comments.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Hibel, Funke, Ewoldt, Rosenberg, Studebaker, Moad Nays: Absent: Vargulich, Wiese, Gruber Motion carried: 6-0

7. McGrath Business Center PUD – McGrath Kia (4075 E. Main, LLC & 4085 E. Main, LLC) Application for PUD Preliminary Plan Application for Minor Subdivision – Final Plat The attached transcript prepared by Planet Depos Court Reporting is by reference hereby made a part of these minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Moad and seconded by Ms. Hibel to recommend approval of an Application for PUD Preliminary Plan and an Application for Minor Subdivision – Final Plat for McGrath Business Center PUD – McGrath Kia, subject to resolution of all staff comments.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Hibel, Funke, Ewoldt, Rosenberg, Studebaker, Moad Nays: Absent: Vargulich, Wiese, Gruber Motion carried: 6-0

8. Plan Commission Rules of Procedure Update

The attached transcript prepared by Planet Depos Court Reporting is by reference hereby made a part of these minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Studebaker and seconded by Mr. Ewoldt to approve the Plan Commission Rules and Procedures as amended.

Roll call vote: Ayes: Hibel, Funke, Ewoldt, Rosenberg, Studebaker, Moad Nays: Absent: Vargulich, Wiese, Gruber Motion carried: 6-0

9. Additional Business from Plan Commission Members or Staff - None

10. Weekly Development Report

11. Meeting Announcements

- a. Plan Commission Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 7:00pm Council Chambers Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 7:00pm Council Chambers Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00pm Council Chambers
- Planning & Development Committee
 Monday, March 13, 2023 at 7:00pm Council Chambers
 Monday, April 10, 2023 at 7:00pm Council Chambers

12. Public Comment

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13. Adjournment at 8:14 p.m.



Transcript of Hearing

Date: March 7, 2023 Case: St. Charles Plan Commission

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10	REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
11	St. Charles, Illinois
12	Tuesday, March 7, 2023
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24	Transcribed by: Sheila Martin

1	Report of proceedings of the St. Charles
2	Plan Commission, held at the location of:
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5	ST. CHARLES CITY HALL
6	2 East Main Street
7	Chicago, Illinois 60174
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20	Pursuant to agreement, before William Pantoja,
21	Notary Public in and for State of Illinois.
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1	APPEARANCES
2	PRESENT:
3	JEFFREY FUNKE, Vice Chair
4	CHRIS STUDEBAKER, Commissioner
5	ZACHARY EWOLDT, Commissioner
6	LAUREL MOAD, Commissioner
7	KAREN HIBEL, Commissioner
8	DAVE ROSENBERG, Commissioner
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10	ALSO PRESENT:
11	RUSSELL COLBY, Director of Community
12	Development
13	DEREK CONLEY, Director of Community
14	Development
15	ELLEN JOHNSON, Planner
16	RACHEL HITZEMANN, Planner
17	MONICA HAWK, Development Engineer
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Roll call.
3	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Peter Vargulich. Karen
4	Hibel.
5	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Here.
6	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Jeffery Funke.
7	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Here.
8	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Colleen Wiese.
9	COMMISSIONER WIESE: (No audible response.)
10	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Zachary Ewoldt.
11	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Here.
12	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Dave Rosenberg.
13	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Here.
14	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Gary Gruber.
15	COMMISSIONER GRUBER: (No audible response.)
16	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Chris Studebaker.
17	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Here.
18	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Laurel Moad, here.
19	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you.
20	Item number three, please please join me in saying
21	the Pledge of Allegiance.
22	ALL: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the
23	United States of America and to the Republic for which
24	it stands, one nation under God, indivisible for

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1	liberty and justice for all.
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Item number four,
3	presentation of minutes of the December 20th, 2022
4	meeting of the planning commission. Is there a motion
5	to approve?
6	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I move.
7	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Second.
8	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All in favor?
9	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Aye.
10	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: Aye.
11	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All opposed? Motion
12	passes. Thank you. Item number five, Verizon cell
13	tower 4050 East Main Street. Item five is an
14	application for special use for a communication tower
15	filed by DRA Properties, LLC. Item 5A, this is a
16	public hearing. It is the role of the planning
17	commission to conduct public hearings on zoning
18	applications that are filed with the city. All
19	testimony and evidence both for and against an
20	application shall be given under oath.
21	Regarding procedure, first the applicants
22	will make the presentations then we will take questions
23	from the Commission, followed by questions from members
24	of the public. After that, we will take comments from

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1	the public and anyone else wishing to present
2	testimony. Note, there is an outstanding item in
3	regards to subdivision declaration of covenants which
4	restricts communication towers from locating on this
5	subject property. The applicant and the property owner
6	are pursuing an appeal process. Staff recommends
7	continuing the public hearing at the conclusion of
8	tonight's testimony until the information can be
9	provided regarding resolution of the declaration issue.
10	Before we begin, anyone who wishes to offer
11	testimony offer any testimony, including asking
12	questions or providing comments for or against the
13	application shall be sworn in. So all witnesses,
14	please stand. Do you swear that the testimony you
15	provide tonight will be the truth? If so, say I do.
16	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I do.
17	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I do.
18	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: When you are speaking
19	you can sit down. Thank you. When you are speaking,
20	please stand at the lectern, state your name, spell
21	your last name, and state your address for the record.
22	I will note the official meeting packet posted to the
23	city's website is part of the public hearing record.
24	And we do have an exhibit that will also be included.

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1	It's a letter from Pheasant Run Crossing, the property
2	association. And the letter is from David A.
3	McCarville. He's the president of the association, so
4	note that that will be included in the public record.
5	Is the applicant ready to make the presentation?
6	MR. DOLAN: I am.
7	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Please come
8	up and thank you.
9	MR. DOLAN: Mr. Chair and members of the
10	commission, my name is Doug Dolan with DRA Properties
11	and also Dolan Realty Advisors and we are the applicant
12	for the proposed cell site. Our proposed cell site is
13	on the Volkswagen dealership, Fox Valley. We're
14	we're proposing a stealth tower, which is the design
15	as opposed to a traditional metal pole, it's design is
16	out of pine, and we'll have photos of it here.
17	The reason I'm here is because our original
18	site was on top of the Pheasant Run building. We had
19	rooftop antennas on top of the building, which was
20	taken out of service. Do I have to lean lean in
21	more? So the we have had had existing antennas
22	on top of the Pheasant Run building, which when it
23	caught fire, it took our site out of service. We
24	currently have a temporary site, which is operating on

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1	a truck with a mast in the parking lot of Pheasant Run.
2	You may have seen it along Main Street. It is a it
3	has three three antennas. It's a small site. It's
4	basically a stopgap measure in order to provide service
5	to St. Charles until a permanent site can be located.
6	The site we have selected maintains a 500
7	foot distance from single family residentially zoned
8	property, which is a key code in St. Charles, and it
9	works well with a lot of a lot of [unintelligible]
10	used separate these from single family homes. So
11	there's very few properties that very good. Okay,
12	good. So there's very few properties that match that
13	code. Fire and [unintelligible] separation, which
14	basically is 1,000 foot 1,000 foot radius, which
15	limits the number sites [unintelligible]
16	COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry, sir. I'm not
17	able to hear you. Would you be able to speak up?
18	MR. DOLAN: Yes.
19	COURT REPORTER: Thank you.
20	MR. DOLAN: So this particular site has 500
21	feet of separation to residentially zoned properties.
22	We're on the parking lot of the Fox Valley Volkswagen
23	dealership. We've worked out a lease agreement with
24	the property owner and we'd like to be considered

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1	tonight. I know you have a letter. There's an
2	important letter from the neighboring property owner
3	who's one of the trustees. And the subdivision did
4	enter into agreement several years ago and one of the
5	clauses in that agreement was about communication
6	towers.
7	So we're our property owner is not aware
8	of it. And he's in communication with the neighboring
9	trustee, as I am. In fact we have a call scheduled
10	today. So we're still in the midst of talking through
11	this, hopefully being able to resolve. Because of the
12	timing involved, if you find this project to be
13	satisfactory and it meets the spirit of code, we'd like
14	we'd like you to consider some action tonight in
15	order just to stay on a timeline, knowing full full
16	well that any action will be conditioned upon the
17	subdivision approval. So no issuance of a building
18	permit until the subdivision issue is resolved.
19	So having said that, we'll go through a
20	brief overview of the proposal. This is a this is
21	of importance, what what the network engineers
22	have put together something called a prop map, a
23	propagation map. So this shows the existing coverage
24	inside the city of St. Charles. The color coded such

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1	the dark blue, the dark purple, is where existing
2	sites are located. So you see two on the east side of
3	our proposed site, and you see two on the west side of
4	our proposed site. The center site where the red arrow
5	is pointing to is our proposed site, which is a parking
6	lot on the site.
7	We are restricted on where we can locate
8	this tower because of the DuPage County Airport. They
9	have protected airspace, which does not allow us to go
10	which limits us. So we couldn't go any further
11	towards the yellow area. You see the yellow area.
12	That's the least amount of coverage. So the yellow
13	coded area on this propagation map is the least amount
14	of coverage. We couldn't go further east because it's
15	protected airspace by the DuPage County Airport. So
16	this site is right on the edge, and it allows us to
17	provide the most coverage to the city of St. Charles
18	without violating the airspace.
19	Then the next slide I'll show you is the
20	proposed coverage after the site is is built. So
21	this is of course 4G and 5G. It provides not just
22	capacity not just coverage, but capacity. So a
23	large issue in the telecom world these days is that
24	people are getting coverage but they're not getting

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1	capacity, which means that there's so many sites,
2	there's so many places that have entered the network
3	that they're unable to to it's difficult, more
4	difficult to stay up with the demand. So this site
5	will actually alleviate some neighboring cell sites,
6	which will provide better coverage to the entire city
7	of St. Charles. But primarily, it's designed to
8	provide coverage and capacity to this particular area.
9	This is a summary provided by the network
10	engineer at Verizon. And as he states, it's to fill
11	the coverage gap along North Avenue and to provide
12	reliable coverage inside of the residential commercial
13	areas. It's network capacity offload, which is a
14	technical term, it's it's it's designed to have
15	the capacity necessary to serve all the devices that
16	are entering the network, offload to neighboring
17	sectors serving St. Charles.
18	Number three mentions it's reliable coverage
19	for E-911 calls. Over 80 percent of 911 calls are made
20	on cellphones, so we do consider this a public safety
21	issue. When cell towers go down, you know, it's an
22	urgent matter for the companies and this is something
23	that police, fire, emergency responders, physicians
24	rely on our network coverage. So this is something

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1	that's very serious. This will also improve the 4G and
2	5G 5G data speeds in in the area.
3	This is the site plan of the Volkswagen
4	dealer Volkswagen dealership. I can use a pointer
5	here. We're in this back corner here, back corner of
6	this map. So where the green dot is, that that's
7	where our site is. So we're in the very dark very
8	back corner of of the property. And again, this
9	site meets the 500 foot set back from all properties
10	and residential. The property owner that we're that
11	we're working with owns the vacant land behind our
12	site. So that grassy area directly behind the
13	Volkswagen dealership is the person who wrote the
14	letter. He lives in Florida now and we're in
15	conversation with him.
16	This is a rendering of the proposed pine.
17	The antennas are showing for for depiction sake just
18	to show that there are antennas in there, but you won't
19	be able to see the antennas. They'll be concealed
20	within the foliage of the tree. They'll have antenna
21	socks they're called, which is actually a green sock
22	that's actually with foliage attached to it and it's
23	specially designed for antennas and cables to conceal
24	them.

1	This is an example of an existing cell tower
2	that we did. This this is the type of pine pine
3	tree that we we propose. Again, there's and you
4	can't see them, but there's antennas. There's nine
5	antennas concealed in that tree with cables and
6	brackets and power wires. This is we include this
7	in our presentation just and it's part of our
8	package and part of our public testimony that this is
9	something that's prepared by Sight Savers, which is a
10	third party, which talks about the safety of RF of
11	the cell sites.
12	So the basic to summarize this, at the
13	base of the tower, we mount signals equivalent to a
14	WiFi system or a baby monitor. So that's at the base
15	of the tower. So sometimes questions come up. We know
16	this is a federally protected '96 Telecom Act that the
17	tower has been deemed safe and it's at the purview,
18	perhaps, of local boards to try and render an opinion
19	on the safe safety towers. But this this gives
20	an overview of just the safety of the cell site.
21	Again, OSHA, EPA, FDA, Institute of
22	Electrical Engineers have all reviewed and approved all
23	the FCC standards. And we'll operate probably about
24	one percent of what the FCC standards are. Again,

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1	we'll operate approximately one percent of what the FCC
2	standards are. This gives kind of an overview of the
3	site. This is the most visible area. Most of them you
4	won't be able to see but we picked the most visible
5	site, which is the the entrance to the car
6	dealership. We are in a parking lot, and some might
7	say well, gee, it isn't really appropriate for a
8	parking lot.
9	But if as as you look at the landscape
10	of St. Charles. you see a lot of foliage up and down
11	Main Street. And that this this tower, you'll
12	see the top part of the tower. But most of the time,
13	you'll see the top 30 feet, which will be a green tree.
14	So we we do expect this to blend in with the
15	background of the of the landscape.
16	This is some research done by Verizon
17	Wireless. And it goes into just the the exponential
18	growth of cellphones and the need and the reason
19	that these are needed for communities and why
20	communities find them to be important, for both E-911
21	and just the growth of 15 gigabyte to 40 gigabyte per
22	user expected, which is substantial growth.
23	As it stands now, 70 percent of people are
24	wireless only. It's much higher in younger people.

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1	It's 80 percent plus as the age goes down it's it's
2	been 100 percent, so that's the trend. Travelers
3	it's mentioned there, research indicates that 70 77
4	percent of the travelers say a mobile phone is the most
5	important trip accessory.
6	I won't go into all the details here, but I
7	submit this as just part of the public record. But a
8	big reason that the cell sites are needed is to stay
9	ahead of the demand. Whatever issues we may be
10	experiencing now will grow worse with time. Much like
11	a power substation a new substation power
12	substation needed if everybody if your electric
13	blinks when you turn on the lights. We need to work
14	ahead of the demand so it will reduce the number of
15	dropped calls that people will experience without
16	additional cell sites.
17	Another screen another item that I'm
18	going to include. It just talks about the importance
19	to the schools and how the schools are leaning more
20	towards apps and they're they're moving some are
21	moving away from paper textbooks and more towards apps.
22	And this is this is the trend. This this is just
23	designed to show the clear trend among education.
24	An item on property values. We do include a

1	slide on property values too and 90 percent of single
2	family home buyers consider cellphone coverage at their
3	house to be important criteria. And there still are
4	areas that don't have cellphone coverage and there are
5	areas that have one bar. And it will be an ongoing
6	it can be an annoyance, at best it's an annoyance, but
7	it can be a public safety issue. So having good
8	cellphone coverage at home is becoming essential.
9	So in summary, it's the last page, I'm happy
10	to address any questions. The stealth design was
11	specifically chosen to conceal the antennas and cables.
12	The tower will be built to accommodate four carriers.
13	So what's important about that is that should AT&T,
14	should T-Mobile, should US Cell want to also locate an
15	area, there won't be a need for an additional tower.
16	They'll be able to co-locate on an existing tower and
17	their antennas will also be concealed in our foliage
18	too.
19	As I mentioned earlier, the reliable
20	wireless service is essential to the local residents.
21	This proposal will allow Verizon and others to provide
22	the critical service when needed. And this will
23	improve service to the entire city of St. Charles. I
24	appreciate the time and I'm here to answer any

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1	questions that you may have.
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you.
3	MR. DOLAN: Sure.
4	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Any questions or comments
5	from the planning commission?
6	COMMISSION EWOLDT: Yeah, I have a question.
7	What's the like the average life cycle on the
8	material that's going to be like the that gives it
9	the artificial tree kind of look?
10	MR. DOLAN: The ones we the oldest ones
11	we have are about eight years old and they still look
12	good after after being eight years old. You know,
13	perhaps even 15 and 20 years. They're made of
14	fiberglass, so they don't really degrade, but the color
15	may turn a little bit over time. And like anything,
16	you know, with weather and ice storms and such,
17	overtime they'll need maintenance.
18	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Okay. And that's
19	something that if it started
20	MR. DOLAN: Yes.
21	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: to look bad, it
22	would get replaced?
23	MR. DOLAN: That's right. That's included
24	in our in our in our agreement with the property

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1	owner too.
2	MR. EWOLDT: Okay.
3	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: I have a question.
4	Was there is there any way to add more than one
5	fiberglass tree? There's one, but like if you put two
6	or three, I think it would look maybe a little bit
7	better than just the one
8	MR. DOLAN: Yeah.
9	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: on its own.
10	MR. DOLAN: Right. I've never done that
11	before. I'm not aware of that. I see your to
12	create like a grove of trees in some some manner.
13	No, and it makes sense. Again, we're probably 300 feet
14	back or a football field back from from the road, so
15	I don't know necessarily that people will recognize
16	that it's not in a grove of trees. But we haven't
17	we have not we have not we have not done that
18	type of thing. We don't have the ground space either
19	for it there. It's used by the car dealer. He uses
20	the vehicles for storage in that area. So we're in a
21	very small, small lot there too.
22	COMMISSIONER MOAD: What is the frequency of
23	maintenance needed on this?
24	MR. DOLAN: So you mean just on the on

1	the equipment, on the base the base issue equipment?
2	So it used to be once a month we'd say, now it's once a
3	quarter. More and more it's all fiber-based now so the
4	technicians can enter in the equipment via laptop, and
5	so they can make adjustments on the laptop. It used to
6	we'd have to visit the site and manually do it, but now
7	a lot of the maintenance work is done via laptops.
8	COMMISSIONER MOAD: So most of it's remote?
9	MR. DOLAN: Yeah.
10	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Thank you.
11	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: And I have a question.
12	So having the fifth location or keeping it from where
13	it was, is there data to support that need? I know,
14	you know, you were talking about cellular coverage and
15	whatnot, but what's the risk of not having it?
16	Obviously, I just
17	MR. DOLAN: Right.
18	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: in looking at the
19	data side of it.
20	MR. DOLAN: Right. So the perhaps the
21	best data we use and rely on is the propagation map
22	that was shown earlier, the very early part of the
23	that showed that is an actual depiction of the
24	coverage and capacity in St. Charles. So the it's

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1	color coded based on good coverage and poor coverage.
2	So that's and the RF engineers do computer modeling
3	to determine where the best sites are. And the
4	reality, every carrier has gaps in coverage. The
5	reality is no one has the budget to cover all the gaps
6	that they have in coverage. So they pick the hottest
7	fires. They put their money towards those that will
8	make the most do the most good.
9	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: And then you would have
10	a lease through VW Volkswagen?
11	MR. DOLAN: Yes.
12	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Is that how that would
13	work?
14	MR. DOLAN: Correct.
15	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: And how long what's
16	the term of the lease?
17	MR. DOLAN: It's a 30-year lease.
18	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
19	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Any more questions? I've
20	got a couple of questions. The the 500 feet from
21	residential, what's the what's the reasoning behind
22	the 500 feet?
23	MR. DOLAN: Well, that's a city code. So
24	that that came from the planning staff. That's part

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1	of the condition of use for permit that cell cell
2	sites, that they and we don't see see that in
3	many places. We we do see it here, which is they
4	they want to keep a separation, I guess, from single
5	family property owners.
6	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Because I'm I mean
7	you're you're actually pretty close to the assisted
8	living complex, right? Within 50 feet?
9	MR. DOLAN: Yeah.
10	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And I assume, is this the
11	the person that wrote the letter, is he in charge of
12	the assisted living or is that something else?
13	MR. DOLAN: Something else. He is they
14	are one of the property owners. He owned the entire
15	tract of land and subdivided and sold off lots.
16	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay.
17	MR. DOLAN: So there's many people on the
18	trust and not very many of them are trust members
19	other than the one. And he owns the land behind our
20	our site. So he owns the vacant land.
21	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And have you talked to
22	the owner of the assisted living?
23	MR. DOLAN: I have not. He was notified, of
24	course, for the public hearing due process. They were

1 notified of our site --2 VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. 3 MR. DOLAN: -- and we have not heard 4 anything back. 5 VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And how many transponders 6 were on the original tower at Pheasant Run? 7 MR. DOLAN: Transponders, as far as the 8 antennas --9 VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Or -- or I mean -- yeah, 10 the antennas. MR. DOLAN: Yeah, you know, the original 11 12 build about -- well, I would say it would be the average, between six and nine antennas. 13 14 VICE CHAIR FUNKE: That was the original? 15 MR. DOLAN: Uh-huh. 16 VICE CHAIR FUNKE: What do you have now? 17 MR. DOLAN: On the truck, there's three 18 antennas on the truck. VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And then --19 MR. DOLAN: We'll have nine on our --20 21 VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Oh, you'll have nine? 22 Okay. So your basically the same number has before? MR. DOLAN: Yeah. It'll be a newer style 23 24 antenna, which will provide better capacity and

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1	coverage.
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you.
3	Any more any other questions from the commissioners?
4	Okay. Do we have any questions or comments from the
5	members of the public. If you would like to stand up
6	and
7	MR. LEMKE: My name is Arthur Lemke,
8	L-E-M-K-E, 3214 Blackhawk Trail in the city of St.
9	Charles, generally north of the Charlestowne Mall. And
10	I have had problems with cellphone reception, most
11	commonly after about a half hour, I get kicked off. My
12	tower was co-located with the tower on top of Pheasant
13	Run. And because mostly there was a power failure in
14	Pheasant Run without regard to it had nothing to do
15	with the cell service immediately previous to the to
16	the fire, but it is it's a problem.
17	A lot of times and I work from home quite
18	often, more often than needing to go into the office.
19	And having discussions about work related matters, it's
20	very disruptive to suddenly I'm not being heard or
21	the other call party call was not being heard and I
22	end up I am one of the last that have a landline in
23	the neighborhood. So I have a lot of times have to
24	call back on the landline.

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1	I find that a nuisance. But I find it funny
2	that the McCarville organization had owned Pheasant Run
3	and had not had any problem, if you will. There was a
4	the site was located on top of the tall Pheasant Run
5	building, ten, 15 stories and it wasn't a problem when
6	it was originally located. So I was somewhat surprised
7	to find the objection is from from McCarville
8	organization. That's it for me. Thank you.
9	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you.
10	Any other questions or comments from the public? Okay.
11	All testimony has been provided. A motion would be in
12	order to continue the public hearing in the next
13	planning commission, which is March 21st, 2023.
14	COMMISSIONER MOAD: I move to continue the
15	public hearing until the next Planning Commission
16	meeting on March 21st, 2023.
17	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Second.
18	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. We have
19	can we do a roll call?
20	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Karen Hibel.
21	MS. HIBEL: Yes.
22	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Jeffrey Funke.
23	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yes.
24	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Zachary Ewoldt.

1	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Yes.
2	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Dave Rosenberg.
3	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Yes.
4	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Chris Studebaker.
5	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Yes.
6	COMMISSIONER MOAD: And Laurel Moad, yes.
7	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Thank you. Thank you.
8	Item number six, Charlestowne Lakes PUD townhome
9	building height. Item six is an application for
10	special use requesting a PUD amendment, Charlestowne
11	Lakes PUD submitted by D.R. Horton Incorporated
12	Midwest. Item 6a, this is a public hearing item. The
13	same public hearing procedure of the previous agenda
14	item shall be followed by.
15	If the planning commission feels it has
16	gathered enough evidence to make a recommendation to
17	the Planning and Development Committee of the city
18	council, we will close the public hearing. Plan
19	commission will then discuss the evidence gathered
20	relative to the PUD criteria and vote on a
21	recommendation. The application will then go before
22	the Planning and Development Committee of the city
23	council.
24	Before we begin, anyone who wishes to offer

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1	any testimony, including asking questions or providing
2	comments for or against the application shall be sworn
3	in. Please stand up and raise your right hand. Do you
4	swear that the testimony you provide tonight will be
5	the truth? If so, say I do.
6	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I do.
7	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: I do.
8	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Thank you. Okay. I will
9	note the official meeting packet posted on the city's
10	website is part of the public hearing record. Is the
11	applicant ready to make the presentation?
12	MR. BOWER: I'm sorry, can you repeat your
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14	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah, is the applicant is
15	ready to make the presentation?
16	MR. BOWER: Sorry, Mr. Chair. Good evening,
17	my name is Steve Bower. I am the entitlements manager
18	interning D.R. Horton Incorporated Midwest. As some or
19	all of the commission may be aware, D.R. Horton is the
20	owner, developer, and soon to be builder of the
21	Charlestowne Lakes mixed attached residential
22	community. Before you is a depiction of the proposed
23	building elevation for what we refer to as the Seaboard
24	Townhomes. The request before you this evening is to

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1	increase the maximum permissible building height by a
2	total of three feet two inches. That is specifically
3	from 34 feet, seven and a quarter inches to 37 feet,
4	nine and a quarter inches.
5	As the project was initially presented to
6	the Commission and ultimately approved by the city
7	council, what was presented is the townhome product
8	that's now on the screen. As you can see that is from
9	an exterior side, a two and a half story above grade
10	townhome unit, whereas what is now shown on the
11	proposed elevations is a full three-story above grade
12	change.
13	The reason for this is really sort of
13 14	The reason for this is really sort of multifaceted. The initial and primary objective is to
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1	again, looking at either the right or the left
2	elevation you can see that both the front door entry
3	and the rear garage level entry are on a unified plane.
4	There are some other benefits that come along with this
5	request, namely the expansion or increase of the first
6	floor windows from what is basically a half window to a
7	full height window. The addition of a window along the
8	front and the side of each of the townhome units
9	between what is basically that first and third floor,
10	and then some additional masonry.
11	So again, if you look at what is proposed,
12	you can see masonry that goes up to basically the first
13	floor ceiling height or the second floor height. And
14	if I scroll back to the originally proposed and
15	approved elevation, you can see that that masonry stops
16	at about the mid-level of the front door entry.
17	I do want to mention, just as a point of
18	clarification and as reflected in the staff report,
19	specifically at page four, the in summary, this is a
20	actually verbatim, in summary the buildings will
21	appear from the rear the same as previously approved.
22	From the front the buildings will be three feet two
23	inches taller, which is two feet nine and a quarter
24	inches taller than permitted in the underlying R2

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1	zoning districts.
2	I mention that just because the overall mass
3	of these buildings, particularly from the rear, but
4	but even if you look at them overall, isn't really
5	changing. What is changing is the front grade. And
6	what's proposed is a reduction that front grade, which
7	then by virtue of the way the city's zoning code
8	defines building height results in the need for an
9	increase in building height, or ultimately a PUD
10	amendment for an increase in building height.
11	I do want to mention for those of you may
12	recall, there there is a consent decree that that
13	dates back many years with this property that had to be
14	amended and was amended as part of the city council's
15	approval of this project. The staff report references
16	a potential need to amend that consent decree. The
17	city attorney has since opined that there is no need to
18	amend the consent decree to accommodate the request
19	before you this evening. That's about the extent of
20	what I intended to cover, but I'm happy to address any
21	questions the Commission may have.
22	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Thank you. Any questions
23	from the Planning Commission?
24	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: I just have one.

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1	Why the removal of the the stairs on the front door?
2	I feel like it it looks, quite honestly, nicer or
3	classier having the stairs than having the front doors
4	like ground level. I mean, would it be possible to
5	keep that with increasing the front laundry room, which
6	is the smaller one?
7	MR. BOWER: Just to be clear, when you say
8	the stairs, you're referring to exterior stairs?
9	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Correct. Yeah, I'm
10	sorry, the front stoop stairs.
11	MR. BOWER: Well, as a practical matter,
12	there is not as much need for those stairs when the
13	front door height and the garage door height are at the
14	same level. I can't tell you definitively that there
15	won't be some frequency of stairs, but because of the
16	fact that the front door height and the garage level
17	height will or would instead be the same as now
18	proposed, the number of stairs would certainly be
19	reduced.
20	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: I have a question on
21	the inside, the interior. So did how did this
22	change the layout? What was it previously with a
23	smaller window? Was it more of a split-level when you
24	came in? I don't recall seeing

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1	MR. BOWER: That that's correct.
2	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
3	MR. BOWER: We call it a mid-level entry.
4	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
5	MR. BOWER: So, you know, functionally,
6	operationally, the way that it would work is someone
7	would enter the home through the front door, there's
8	approximately a four or five foot landing, and at the
9	opposite side of that landing are like four or five
10	stairs going down and four or five stairs going up. So
11	you're met with sort of a sort of an immediate
12	immediate decision point of going down or going up
13	depending upon where you're trying to go, the garage
14	door or living level.
15	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: And then now it's
16	coming in first
17	MR. BOWER: Now it's a full flight
18	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Go ahead.
19	MR. BOWER: Sorry to interrupt. So so
20	now it's a full flight stairs, once you pass the, you
21	know, small foyer area. But there's a bonus space
22	which can be used, for example, for like an office,
23	mechanical room. And then beyond that the garage is
24	similar to, you know, what was initially contemplated

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1	when the project was approved. But now instead of
2	there being this landing with
3	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Right.
4	MR. BOWER: as you referred to a split-
5	level, it's instead a full flight of stairs.
6	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Yeah. Okay. And these
7	are nine foot ceilings on each level now?
8	MR. BOWER: That's my recollection. So I
9	should this is Patrick Cooke from land acquisition
10	with D.R. Horton.
11	MR. COOKE: Good evening, I think I probably
12	was in front of you guys a year and a half ago for this
13	project. So the garage will be eight feet, main living
14	floor will be nine feet, like most homes, the second
15	floor will be eight feet. And just to Steve's point,
16	that initial level kind of goes from being an English
17	basement from the outside to a you come in and you
18	have instant access to the basement.
19	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: All right. And one
20	last question on the grading. So essentially, the
21	building was lifted to be at the same level. Is
22	does that mean the walkway to the front doors are a
23	sloped? Is there any other impacts around the building
24	based on the grading?

1	MR. BOWER: So I think that's I think
2	what you're asking is similar to what Commissioner
3	Rosenberg was asking. And I'm not an engineer but the
4	short answer is that the building is not necessarily
5	being lifted. Instead, what is happening is that the
6	grade at the front elevation is being dropped. So I
7	guess you can kind of look at it either way, but as a
8	practical matter, what you end up with, again, is going
9	back to the proposed elevation when you look right or
10	left is a single slab level, as opposed to being met
11	with that transition point that we talked about when we
12	go were instead a mid-level entry. So I'm sorry,
13	you you asked about the stairs; is that correct?
14	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: No, it was if there is
15	a slope now getting to the front door. So a little
16	separate from what he was saying. It was is is
17	there going to be any slope on the walkway to the door?
18	Regardless of the stairs, is there any slope?
19	MR. BOWER: There will have to be some level
20	of slope
21	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
22	MR. BOWER: and of course, engineering
23	standards for, you know, the both pervious and
24	impervious areas to to drain, you know, from a storm

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1	water perspective.
2	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Right.
3	MR. BOWER: But the level of slope will be
4	less with this than with this.
5	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
6	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Any other questions? I
7	just my only comment is I just assume that this
8	makes everything more efficient from a construction
9	standpoint with the grading and everything, getting in
10	and out?
11	MR. BOWER: That's what our main development
12	manager has relayed to me, that's correct.
13	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. All right. Thank
14	you. Appreciate it.
15	MR. BOWER: Thank you.
16	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Any questions from
17	the members of public?
18	MR. LEMKE: For the record for this public
19	hearing my name is Arthur Lemke, L-E-M-K-E, 3214
20	Blackhawk Trail. I'm a couple of streets north of
21	Foxfield and this development is immediately south of
22	Foxfield, although far to the east. And and just
23	looking for some clarity that it sounds like, if I
24	heard that the initial description of the revision, it

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1	isn't that the building height was measured from
2	nominally the front door, which there is an elevation
3	change from the garage door to the front door that
4	originally it was compliant because of the difference
5	in height between the front door plus or minus the
6	stair and the roof. And now it's basically measured in
7	the same way. The measure is now from the height of
8	the garage [unintelligible] garage door to the roof.
9	So if I had to pour the foundations for these, they're
10	absolutely it sounds like they're going to be in the
11	same relative height. Does that sound right?
12	MR. BOWER: That's correct.
13	MR. LEMKE: Yeah? Okay. The neighbors, I
14	had several comments from the neighbors who had a
15	concern that perhaps the whole building was being
16	raised. And that's they might have misunderstood
17	that. And that's even by looking at the reading
18	the public notice over the weekend for the prior to
19	the meeting, and it's I think it's explained here.
20	Thank you.
21	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you.
22	Any other questions or comments from the public? Okay.
23	If the Planning Commission feels they have enough
24	information to make a recommendation to the planning

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1	and development and the city council, motion to close
2	the public hearing would be in order. And motion to
3	close the public hearing.
4	UNKNOWN SPEAKER: So moved.
5	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Second?
6	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Second.
7	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Roll call.
8	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Karen Hibel.
9	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Yes.
10	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Jeffrey Funke.
11	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yes.
12	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Zachary Ewoldt.
13	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Yeah.
14	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Dave Rosenberg.
15	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Yes.
16	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Chris Studebaker.
17	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Yes.
18	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Laurel Moad, yes.
19	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Great. Thank you.
20	The motion has been moved and seconded. Any discussion
21	on the motion? Okay. All right. Okay. This public
22	hearing is now closed. We will not be taking any
23	additional public comment for this item. We have to do
24	we did roll call. Okay.

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1	Item 6B, discussion and recommendation.
2	This is the opportunity for the planning commission to
3	discuss the information that has been gathered in
4	relation to the criteria for PUDs, and to discuss our
5	thoughts on recommendations. Is there anything
6	additional from the staff before we begin? The floor
7	is now open for discussion among the planning
8	commission. Any other discussion? Okay. Is there a
9	motion
10	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: I have a
11	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay.
12	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: No, I just for the
13	record, I think, you know, we've talked about other
14	buildings height, you know, kind of sticking with
15	let's, you know, in the ordinance, you know, we're
16	going beyond by approximately three feet. So it's kind
17	of a slippery slope, in my opinion, when we get to
18	talking about height.
19	However, as I shared earlier, I think the
20	layout makes more sense than additional stairs and up
21	and down and, you know, it's I like the window, you
22	know, the look out or whatever, you know, it previously
23	was, I think, based on what you shared and I may
24	take these more as isolated situations, this makes

1	sense. But I just wanted to note it, you know, we've
2	talked plenty about heights of buildings and, you know,
3	kind of we're making variants here. So but based on
4	seeing it, it makes sense.
5	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Great. Thank you.
6	Any other comments? Is there a motion on this
7	application?
8	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Okay. I move to approve
9	the Charlestowne Lakes PUD townhome building height
10	variance conditioning conditional upon any staff
11	recommendations.
12	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And do we have a second?
13	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Second.
14	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Motion and a
15	second.
16	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Ready for roll call?
17	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yes.
18	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Okay. Karen Hibel.
19	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Yes.
20	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Jeffrey Funke.
21	COMMISSION FUNKE: Yes.
22	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Zachary Ewoldt.
23	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Yes.
24	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Dave Rosenberg.

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1	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Yes.
2	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Chris Studebaker.
3	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Yes.
4	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Laurel Moad, yes.
5	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Great. Thank you. That
6	motion passes. This concludes item number six. Thank
7	you.
8	MR. BOWER: Thank you.
9	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Item number seven,
10	McGrath Business Center PUD, McGrath Kia. Item seven,
11	an application for PUD preliminary plan and minor
12	subdivision. Final plat from the McGrath Kia submitted
13	by 4075 and 4085 East Main, LLC. A public hearing is
14	not required for this type of application. Is the
15	applicant ready to make a presentation?
16	MS. BAZOS: Yes. Good evening,
17	commissioners. My name is Peter Bazos. I'm an
18	attorney from Elgin, Illinois and I represent the
19	petitioners tonight, 4075 East Main, LLC and 4085 East
20	Main, LLC, which are McGrath entities. Here with me
21	this evening is Mr. Christopher McGrath, one of the
22	owners of each of the LLCs, the CFO, and the son of
23	Gary McGrath.
24	McGrath Honda has been in St. Charles for

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1	many, many years. And in 2020, I had the honor of
2	representing the McGrath 4075 LLC in connection with
3	its acquisition of what was then Lot 1 of Pheasant Run
4	subdivision. Ultimately, after the the the
5	the PUD request included lot one as well as additional
6	land to the east, part of what you're looking at right
7	now here, as well as this land that was later bought
8	from the DuPage Airport Authority.
9	So the Honda facility is where my cursor is
10	now, a little bit off the screen. This is and
11	that's 4075. It goes it goes over a little bit
12	over this line. The Kia facility that we're going to
13	talk to you about tonight would go here, and this would
14	remain unplatted and just part of the preliminary PUD.
15	The total land area was 20.65 acres.
16	So the preliminary PUD was approved by the
17	city, with a final PUD that was approved for McGrath
18	Honda. McGrath Honda moved in in November of 2022,
19	greatly expanded its operations, and I think the city
20	as well as McGrath is enjoying the benefits of
21	increased sales. That PUD when we did it in 2021 and
22	the city adopted the ordinance at that time, it was
23	always contemplated that if Gary McGrath, or if the
24	McGrath family, I should say, could acquire more

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1	dealerships, they would try and relocate them here. In
2	in 2022 the McGrath family was able to acquire a Kia
3	franchise and get its approval to locate that franchise
4	here.
5	There's very complex territorial regulations
6	in automotive in the automotive business. You can't
7	move closer than ten miles from another dealer and
8	but if you move so many miles from where you are now,
9	you can, and that's not the point of tonight's hearing.
10	But fortunately, this site fit within the regulations
11	for Kia to permit a new Kia point in your in your
12	city.
13	So what we're now seeking is to what
13 14	So what we're now seeking is to what where the Kia site will is on your screen on the
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1	This request we think is consistent in all
2	respects with the 2021 PUD. I'm going to I'm going
3	to ask in a moment Chris McGrath to step up and address
4	his family's vision for this development and perhaps
5	even future developments. But before I do, I would
6	like to just quickly respond to some of the staff
7	some of the staff comments and that are in your
8	package. I've had a chance to speak briefly with Ellen
9	about some of these today. I'd like to kind of say as
10	a general rule we have no problem with most of them.
11	The on page six, there's a request by
12	staff that we identify 123 employee and customer
13	parking spaces, and we're certainly going to do that.
14	In conversations with staff, it may be that the number
15	may be slightly less than that as required by the
16	ordinance. But whatever it is, suffice it to say we'll
17	provide what's what's required.
18	Lance in the staff on page six had several
19	comments regarding landscaping. We have no problems
20	with that. As to the trash enclosure, we will
21	certainly surround it. We we're going to be
22	discussing with staff that we do it the same way as was
23	permitted with Honda to the immediately to the west,
24	which I understand is a chain link with slats in it.

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1	But we certainly will do no less than than what was
2	done at Honda and permitted by you.
3	The on page eight, the staff was making a
4	recommendation that Ellen was nice enough to point
5	out to me about the architecture. We are we're not
6	able to change the elevation of the front building at
7	all. It's prescribed by Kia. And Chris can speak
8	better if you need more explanation than that. That
9	that facade is needed to support the Kia required
10	manufacturer's logo. So we're we're just not able
11	to change the design. And I think Ellen made it clear
12	to me it was just a recommendation from staff, not a
13	requirement.
14	As to signage, page eight page eight of
15	the report, the staff is pointing out in their comments
16	that you're requesting two freestanding signs and we
17	can only have one per ordinance. I think more
18	discussion would need to be had between us and staff.
19	At the end of the day, if our if our 2021 ordinance
20	doesn't allow us to have two freestanding signs as was
21	permitted for Honda, then we will just have one sign
22	and will likely come back through this process, as
23	Ellen indicated we have to do to amend the PUD
24	ordinance for a second sign for Kia.

1	Just to be clear, Honda has two signs. One
2	is a fixed Honda logo sign and the other is a message
3	board sign. Kia the Kia approval the site plan
4	that they approved also showed two signs and our
5	application shows two signs. And I again, the
6	discussion between us and staff is whether that 2021
7	ordinance would allow two signs here just as it did at
8	Honda. If if if it doesn't, then we'll be seeing
9	you in a few months about that, but we still want to go
10	forward so we can get this project in the ground. But
11	I just wanted to let you know that.
12	The staff on page nine, the staff wants
13	us to reduce the foot candles that of of parking
14	lot lighting that spills over the south boundary of
15	property. We certainly will do that. In number nine
16	page nine, again, the staff was suggesting that we
17	perhaps plat this last 4.7 acres that you see here.
18	And we've had extensive discussions with staff about
19	this, and they can speak for themselves, but I we
20	politely decline to do that now. We don't know what we
21	want to do with that land. When when a use is
22	found, we'll be back to do with this site just like
23	we're doing with you tonight and create any and all
24	necessary easements.

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1	There are a number of other on pages nine
2	through ten, there's a number of other, I'll call them
3	engineering comments about label this and fix that.
4	We'll do all that. That's not a problem. There was
5	one other comment here and somehow I missed it. The
6	as to the exterior of the building, it was called out
7	by the staff that the type of CMU, which is a masonry
8	unit I think, it it a plain CMU was not
9	permitted, but it wasn't identified as to what it will
10	be.
11	I called our architect, and the architect
12	assured me that it's not plain. It's a textured
13	burnished block CMU, which we think is acceptable to
14	the staff and your ordinance. But, again, to the
15	extent that it's not, the CMU will meet your
16	requirements. So if I may, I'd like to have Chris
17	McGrath stand up and just say a few words to you and
18	then we can answer questions.
19	MR. MCGRATH: Good evening. I'll keep my
20	portion short and sweet. First off, thank you to the
21	city for all the help with Honda. It's really neat to
22	hear the feedback moving from our tiny facility at 1411
23	East Main Street out to the east side of where the
24	hotel is. And just hearing our customers excited about

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1	the bigger building, the easier way to do business with
2	us. But also just being in that space that everyone
3	knows has has kind of struggled over the years. So
4	it was neat to see that that area developed.
5	So when we had the opportunity a couple of
6	years ago to acquire Kia, the back story of it is the
7	Elgin location, kind of what Peter was hinting at, is a
8	little too close to St. Charles to allow this location.
9	So they're actually moving next door on the store and
10	Elgin out on Randall Road and I90. So that moves them
11	far enough away that it allows for our location to fit.
12	And that location from the next closest dealer in
13	Aurora is something crazy, like 250 feet outside of the
14	ten miles. So we just barely squeezed it in there and
15	so it's kind of the perfect scenario for us.
16	Honda has been extremely successful in this
17	market, and Kia has been growing its business. I see
18	them all over the place. That's what I do; I see cars.
19	But they're all over the place and they're really
20	giving Honda a run for their money. So it'll be great
21	to see that business also here in St. Charles. And
22	another, you know, another empty lot filled with a good
23	business on the east side, I think is something that
24	we'd all like to see. Again, thank you to everybody in

1	the city for all your help throughout this process, and
2	I'm here to answer any questions.
3	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Thank you. Do we have
4	any questions from the planning commission?
5	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: I just have one
6	comment. On the landscape plan I noticed in front of
7	the building it appears that it's all a singular bush.
8	Have you considered maybe a little bit of landscaping
9	so it's just that one continuous hedge against the
10	front? Maybe something that just kind of makes it a
11	little more extended.
12	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah, I think the
13	[unintelligible] do something like that. One big hedge
14	would be a pain the butt for us to maintain. We'd like
15	smaller bushes that are easier to maintain and tend to
16	not block our our vehicles and into the showroom and
17	stuff like that.
18	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Yeah, I just think a
19	little bit of variety, just make it a little bit more
20	elevated in appearance. So that would just be my
21	comment.
22	MR. BAZOS: I think one of the staff's
23	comments, right Ellen, was to identify the species of
24	the landscaping. So as we move forward, we'll work

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1 with staff --2 MR. MCGRATH: Yeah. 3 MR. BAZOS: -- and I can note. We can 4 certainly mix it up for sure. 5 MR. MCGRATH: Yeah. 6 COMMISSIONER HIBEL: I have a question. So 7 where on this do the -- would Kia connect to the 8 stoplight? Is that in the back of --9 MR. BAZOS: No, it's right here. 10 MR. MCGRATH: It'll follow the aisle right 11 in front of the building. 12 MR. BAZOS: How am I going to get to this, 13 Ellen? 14 MR. MCGRATH: That's kind of it. 15 MR. BAZOS: Is that kind of it? MR. MCGRATH: It's kind of hard to see 16 17 though. 18 MR. BAZOS: I'll let --COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Is that the overall 19 20 escape plan? MR. MCGRATH: Yeah, if there's one of those. 21 22 So the -- the -- yeah, the gray road right here, this is Kia. So this gray road would connect it over to the 23 24 stoplight here.

1	COMCISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
2	MR. MCGRATH: And then there would be the
3	right in/right out entrance here also. That that
4	actually already exists.
5	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: So the one east
6	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah.
7	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: is the newer one?
8	MR. MCGRATH: No yeah, then there's one
9	here that's being proposed.
10	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Okay.
11	MR. MCGRATH: Can you do you know
12	anything about the timing for this light? No? Okay.
13	I tend to wait there quite a while, but it's okay.
14	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Any other questions from
15	the planning commission?
16	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: I've got a I've got a
17	couple of questions regarding the materials. I mean,
18	you talked about I think you guys are using EIFS for
19	I mean, it looks like it's the majority of the
20	building.
21	MR. MCGRATH: It's a lot.
22	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And that's a requirement
23	for Kia?
24	MR. MCGRATH: If it was up to us, like we

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1	wouldn't use a lot of materials that these
2	manufacturers require us to use. And we'd probably
3	make it we'd build it faster and build it for a lot
4	less money. But it's their requirements. They want
5	every Kia building to look exactly the same all across
6	the country for the most part. So yeah, that's their
7	requirement.
8	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: You know, and I would
9	make a suggestion. I mean, I'm an architect and I do a
10	lot I I actually work a lot with not EIFS, but
11	it's called Sto, it's a stucco system.
12	MR. MCGRATH: Okay.
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13	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's a higher grade, like
13 14	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's a higher grade, like it's not a, you know, it's an exterior insulation
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1	T would average the Charles Custom . It is just a tod
	I would suggest a Sto Stucco System. It's just a tad
2	more money, but I think it's going to look a lot
3	better.
4	MR. MCGRATH: We can ask if Kia is okay with
5	that. We tend to have maintenance programs that keep
6	it up. A dirty building is not a good image for us.
7	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: But it but it's hard
8	to power wash EIFS because
9	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah, it's usually a coat of
10	paint. And we tend to paint our buildings about every
11	six, seven years before it gets too bad. Trust me, my
12	dad doesn't let us go anymore past that. He's got good
13	eyes.
14	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Check with check with
15	Sto.
16	MR. MCGRATH: We will.
17	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's a great service
18	system. And I did I did a building on Country Club
19	Road. I don't know if you saw that really modern one.
20	That's it's a Sto Stucco system
21	MR. MCGRATH: Okay.
22	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: on Country Club and
23	Elston.
24	MR. MCGRATH: And what's the what's the

1	subsurface under that?
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's it's it's
3	it's very similar to EIFS, but you don't use as much
4	insulation. There's it's it actually has,
5	there's like a like a mesh system that they put
6	underneath.
7	MR. MCGRATH: Okay.
8	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's more durable.
9	MR. MCGRATH: And is it is it concrete or
10	wood underneath?
11	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's well, it's an
12	exterior chip board you'd use.
13	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah.
14	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: You know, I assume that
15	you would use it's similar to what you're using
16	here.
17	MR. MCGRATH: Well, I owned an EIFS house.
18	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah.
19	MR. MCGRATH: And I will never again.
20	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Right.
21	MR. MCGRATH: But on these it's masonry
22	behind it.
23	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah.
24	MR. MCGRATH: So it tends to not have the

1	damage or anything else that you would you would
2	probably see on an EIFS house or something with even
3	chipboard behind it that EIFS is kind of the
4	preferred method for most of these dealerships.
5	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah.
6	MR. MCGRATH: But if this is similar
7	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: EIFS is a thicker system
8	and it's and it's, you know, it's more textured so
9	it collects more dirt. So all I'm saying is that you
10	go with the Sto stucco.
11	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah.
12	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: I would suggest driving
13	by that house. I mean, that house has been up for
14	almost, I think, ten years now.
15	MR. MCGRATH: Okay.
16	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And it looks like the day
17	it was built.
18	MR. MCGRATH: Something I won't have to
19	repaint every six, seven years, I'll
20	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Exactly, yeah, check it
21	out.
22	MR. MCGRATH: I'll spend money ahead of
23	time. Thank you for that.
24	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And then the block on the

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1	base, I mean, I would and he's calling about a
2	burnished block, and, you know, I'm assuming that it's
3	a textured block which looks, you know, looks like
4	like a warehouse, you know what I mean? I mean, you
5	know, these pole barns that you put up and then you put
6	the block in the bottom, that's that's what I
7	envision.
8	So and I'm looking at this from the
9	back. And the front, like I said, looks beautiful. It
10	looks great, you know, and lit up at night I think it's
11	going to it's going to be a great addition to the
12	to the development. But, you know, that being said, I
13	think that the burnished block is going to really take
14	away from and it's pretty close to the front. So I
15	would I would go with a ground face block.
16	MR. BAZOS: What did you call it?
17	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's a ground face block.
18	MR. BAZOS: Ground face?
19	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah, ground face block.
20	It's a little bit more expensive than but it's
21	it's less than brick, but more expensive than or
22	and it's better looking. It's more contemporary and
23	it's polished.
24	MR. MCGRATH: The manufacturers typically

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1	want the EIFS to go all the way around.
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Right, which it gets
3	damaged, right?
4	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah, but it's it's
5	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It's going to get dented.
6	It'll get dented, right.
7	MR. MCGRATH: So that's usually why we're
8	looking for an alternative for a few feet up in case
9	somebody hits it with a car.
10	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah, go go with North
11	it's Northfield with a ground face block. I mean,
12	like I said, it's a little bit more pricey, but it's
13	it's it's a better looking product and it'll reflect
14	the front. I mean, I see the front and I think it's
15	great. You know, the problem is that when you
16	transition to a warehouse warehouse type building,
17	then it's it's taking away from the jewel of the
18	front.
19	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah. They are going to
20	continue a similar look on the front along the west
21	side where the service entrance is.
22	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay.
23	MR. MCGRATH: So there is some break up of
24	that monotony of just endless EIFS, because that was

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1	one of our concerns too. Most of the the Honda
2	building is steel on the side, or metal metal on the
3	side. So it breaks it up a little bit. This one, it
4	seemed like the EIFS would go on forever, so that
5	service entrance on the side will be a nice addition
6	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay.
7	MR. MCGRATH: and give it some
8	definition.
9	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And then the last comment
10	is just the metal roof. I mean, make sure that your
11	architect puts it on there that when you get heavy snow
12	loads and things, that snow on the metal roof tends to
13	slide off and becomes very dangerous for people that
14	are walking underneath.
15	MR. MCGRATH: I think they were talking
16	about specking
17	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: There's typically guards
18	that you put up.
19	MR. MCGRATH: They stick up and it just
20	prevents the snow from sliding off.
21	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: It breaks it breaks it
22	up.
23	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah. Thank you.
24	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yeah. That's that's -

1	- that's all I have. You know, I think the building
2	from the front looks great.
3	MR. MCGRATH: Okay. And as long as Kia
4	doesn't have any issues with minor material changes, I
5	don't see
6	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: I think they would prefer
7	the Sto.
8	MR. MCGRATH: Yeah. Yeah, as long as it's
9	an improvement, they usually don't have a problem with
10	us changing it.
11	MR. BAZOS: I've taken notes on everything
12	you said, so we'll
13	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Country Club and Elston
14	is the, you know, it's the one in town that you can see
15	that I know of. All right.
16	MR. MCGRATH: Thank you.
17	MR. BAZOS: Thank you.
18	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Any questions from the
19	planning commission?
20	COMMISSIONER MOAD: No, I would just like to
21	comment to say thank you for addressing all the staff
22	issues in your presentation today.
23	MR. BAZOS: Good.
24	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Do we have

1	any comments or questions from members of the public?
2	MR. LEMKE: No complaints particularly, but
3	we were hoping that our in recent discussions to see
4	an additional nameplate. And now it's it's clear
5	that it's Kia. And, again, the presentation,
6	especially from the front looks good. But and
7	and we were encouraged in the past to have the Honda
8	nameplate moved out to the Pheasant Run site, and maybe
9	there's still a backfill proposal of the existing, but
10	I don't ask anybody to comment on that other than we
11	knew there was an inventory problem.
12	It was hard to inventory all the vehicles on
13	the previous site that was used until, let's say
14	November of last year. But in removing the vehicles
15	from the storage on Fox Field, we understand the
16	neighbors have commented, and I've seen it as well,
17	that there's some abandoned vehicles there. So what
18	I'd like to do is ask the city if there's some way to,
19	my assumption is that they're not used cars there that
20	were left behind.
21	But it would seem appropriate to whoever was
22	wherever McGrath was leasing from, to contact the
23	property owner and see if those vehicles can be
24	removed. And otherwise and that makes that site

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1	wave energies to be an endlaged to whenever ended
1	more easy to to lease sublease to whoever, school
2	buses and school rental or during day parking. That's
3	all for me. Thank you very much.
4	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you.
5	Any more comments or questions from the public? Okay.
6	If the planning commission feels they have enough
7	information to make a recommendation to the Planning
8	and Development Committee and the city council, a
9	motion to close the public hearing would be in order.
10	Do we have a motion?
11	MS. JOHNSON: Just a point of order, there's
12	no public hearing for this item, just the application.
13	So it would just be a motion to make a recommendation,
14	not application.
15	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. All right. Thank
16	you. Do we have motion for recommendation?
17	COMMISSIONER MOAD: I recommend that we
18	approve moving the McGrath Business Center PUD, McGrath
19	Kia at 4075 East Main, LLC and 4085 East Main, LLC
20	application for PUD preliminary plan and application
21	for minor subdivision final plan forward to the
22	planning and development committee.
23	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: And do we have a second?
24	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Second.

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1	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay.
2	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Roll call. Karen Hibel.
3	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Yes.
4	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Jeffrey Funke.
5	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yes.
6	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Zachary Ewoldt.
7	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Yes.
8	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Dave Rosenberg.
9	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Yes.
10	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Chris Studebaker.
11	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Yes.
12	COMMISSIONER MOAD: And Laurel Moad, yes.
13	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All right. Thank you,
14	motion has been approved.
15	MR. BAZOS: Thank you very much.
16	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Thank you. This
17	concludes item six. Okay. Item eight, plan commission
18	rules and procedure.
19	MS. JOHNSON: So the rules and procedure, as
20	you know, is a document adapted by the planning
21	commission to govern how the commission conducts
22	business. Revisions to that were discussed by the
23	group last October, and now we have some additional
24	revisions as well to incorporate. The marked up

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1	version of the procedures has been provided to you.
2	The first few are in order to the first
3	few changes are in order to align the public hearing
4	procedure that we follow now with the procedures
5	outlined in the document. The first is the vice chair
6	duties pertaining to presenting applications during
7	public hearings, which one of you noted during our last
8	review. We haven't been following that. So we're
9	looking at that for the procedure.
10	Also added to that chair is to note that the
11	meeting packet is posted as part of the public record,
12	which we did that tonight as well. And also added that
13	the chair is then to enter any public hearing exhibits
14	into the record. And other changes are that we changed
15	records to the chairman and vice chairman to chair and
16	vice chair. The mayor has been removed as an ex
17	officio member, which is in line with our current
18	methods.
19	And the agenda order has been changed to
20	move the public comment portion from the end of the
21	agenda to right after the commission business so that
22	if there's any members of the public that wish to speak
23	on an item or near an item that wasn't technically a
24	public hearing, that they don't have to wait till the

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1	end of the meeting. I'll take any questions on these
2	changes.
3	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: So the vice chairman is
4	going to be responsible for reading off or we're
5	changing that?
6	MS. JOHNSON: We're changing that. So right
7	now the procedure is that it states that the vice
8	chairman is supposed to read every application into the
9	record and read some additional information into the
10	record that we haven't been following. So we're just
11	removing all of that.
12	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. So then that'll be
13	the chairman's responsibility?
14	MS. JOHNSON: The chairman if you're
15	required to do the level of detail that is outlined
16	here.
17	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Great, thank you.
18	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: That's been
19	replaced, right, with the recognition that packet or
20	whatever is online as
21	MS. JOHNSON: Yes, correct. Yeah, so we
22	would just need a motion tonight to adapt the let's
23	see motion to approve the rules of procedure as
24	amended, unless there are other items that you have

1	found that still need to be updated.
2	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Do we have a motion?
3	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Sure, I'll make
4	that motion. Motion to approve the planning commission
5	rules and procedures as they've been updated.
6	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Second.
7	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Karen Hibel.
8	COMMISSIONER HIBEL: Yes.
9	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Jeffery Funke.
10	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Yes.
11	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Zachary Ewoldt.
12	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Yes.
13	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Dave Rosenberg.
14	COMMISSIONER ROSENBERG: Yes.
15	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Chris Studebaker.
16	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Yes.
17	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Laurel Moad, yes.
18	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Approved. Thank you.
19	Item number nine, additional business from planning
20	commission members of staff. Is there any additional
21	business? Okay. Ten, a weekly development report.
22	Any questions or comments?
23	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Based on the weekly
24	development report that came out last Friday, it didn't

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1	look like anything was teed up for the 21st; is that
2	true?
3	MS. JOHNSON: Potentially, the cell tower
4	would be back if there's more information.
5	COMMISSIONER MOAD: Okay. Thank you.
6	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Item number 11, meeting
7	announcements. Next our next meeting is could
8	possibly be scheduled for March 21st?
9	MS. JOHNSON: Yes.
10	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Okay. Thank you. Any
11	public comment? No.
12	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: I have one I
13	actually have one question for staff and maybe for all
14	of us. The zoning appeals board, has there ever been a
15	discussion about making that a subcommittee of this
16	group? I mean, I've been on it for two years and we're
17	about to have our first meeting. So it's kind of
18	MR. COLBY: Yes, there has been some
19	discussion about trying to find a way to combine those
20	functions, recognizing that the zoning board is not
21	very active right now. We initiated that discussion
22	last year but did not end up following through on it.
23	It's still an item I'm planning on bringing forward in
24	the next couple of months.

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1	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Is there a is
2	there a way that we can be helpful with that
3	conversation?
4	MR. COLBY: Yes, and I will let the zoning
5	board members know when that discussion is going to
6	take place to to contribute to that. And also do it
7	would be beneficial, I think, to have the leadership of
8	the planning commission speak to depending on the
9	structure, if they think that they can, you know,
10	accommodate the additional applications that come in
11	for zoning work, which right now there's not many.
12	But we we really have to define what that
13	process looks like because there's different ways we
14	could set it up. But I think we realize it's simple to
15	keep members on the zoning board because of the
16	infrequent meetings and we also don't have a lot of
17	opportunities for them to meet.
18	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Okay. Thank you.
19	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Great question, thank
20	you. All right. Item 13, adjournment. Is there a
21	motion to adjourn?
22	COMMISSIONER STUDEBAKER: Yes. So moved.
23	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: Second?
24	COMMISSIONER EWOLDT: Second.

1	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: All in favor?
2	COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
3	VICE CHAIR FUNKE: So it's moved and
4	seconded. This meeting of St. Charles Planning
5	Commission is adjourned at 8:14 p.m.
6	(Off the record at 8:14 p.m.)
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