

MINUTES

The **Rogers Planning Commission** met for a *Public Hearing* on the Master Street Plan in the Council Chambers of the Maurice H. Kolman Building on Wednesday, October 21, 2009 at 3:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Jim White in the absence of Chairman Don Spann.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioners Chad Campbell, James Gosserand, Susan Mills, Mike Shupe, and Jim White were present. Mark Myers, Ron Shelby, Don Spann and David Thrasher were absent.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Director of Planning and Transportation Steve Glass, City Planner Derrel Smith, Project Manager Lance Jobe, Deputy City Attorney Jim Clark, Administrative Assistant Donna Johnston, Council Member Betsy Reithemeyer.

City Planner Smith stated there has been a few minor changes made on the Master Street Plan. Smith said under the old plan major and minor arterial were both 80' to 100' right of way. A minor arterial is a four-lane street where a major arterial is a five-lane street. Right of way requirements for a major arterial will now be 90' to 100' while minor arterials will remain at 80'. Smith said Hwys 112, 264 (which is outside the City limits but on our Master Street Plan), 2nd Street, 1st Street, Rainbow Road, and Pinnacle Hills Parkway have all been upgraded to a major arterial. Smith said Oak Street will now be extended to Promenade Blvd. running east and west. Smith said the biggest change you will see today is the upgrade of the streets to carry the projected traffic.

Commissioner Campbell thanked Smith and the Staff for the work they have done on this update. Commissioner Shupe said the Master Street Plan is a very important tool

used by Planning Commission and City Council.

Betty Evans, 3001 West Seminole Road, stated she would like to speak against the extension of Oak Street to Promenade and 34th Street to Osage. Osage is a predominately residential area and making those roads collectors will be bringing traffic we do not want into our neighborhood.

City Planner Smith said 34th Street has been on the Master Street Plan for quite some time. Oak Street was added in 1995 and removed around 2003, but at our last meeting the Commission stated they needed to have a collector extended to Promenade. Commissioner White explained to Ms. Evans the Commission added Oak Street extension back to the Master Street Plan to allow for an east/west thoroughfare to what is now Promenade Blvd. White said we needed an east/west corridor between Walnut and New Hope Road. White stated we do not have a time frame when this might happen, but as planners we have to look at that east/west route. White said 34th is another attempt to give the City a north/south corridor. Smith said 34th will eventually give us a tie-in to Bellview Road. Smith said 34th Street will be an expensive process and a lot of it will be developer driven. It is not on our list for the future bond issue. Smith said if you look at the proposed Master Street Plan you will see a route from Hwy 264 all the way to 71-B that is almost a straight shot.

Bill Ball, 4643 West Pleasant Grove Road, said he and his neighbor were here today to see the proposed plans for West Pleasant Grove Road. Planning and Transportation Director Glass said the area Mr. Ball had questioned would be a four-lane road. Ball

said he would prefer a three-lane with one lane a turn lane. Ball said that would serve our purpose much better. The City would waste money making it four-lane. Planning and Transportation Director Glass said the decision to go with a four-lane was based on traffic studies done in the area. Mr. Ball asked if additional property would be needed to make the road four-lane. Glass said some property will have to be acquired, but where there is already curb and gutter, we will be able to make that four-lane without acquiring additional property. Glass said there will be some changes made to move school traffic away from the intersection of Bellview and Pleasant Grove Road. Glass said some signalization will also be added in this area.

The Public Hearing was declared closed.

APPROVED.

Motion by Shupe, second by Campbell to recommend the proposed Master Street Plan to City Council for approval. Roll Call Vote: Yes = Campbell, Gosserand, Mills, Shupe, and White. **Motion carried.**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 P.M.

ATTEST

APPROVED

Chad Campbell, Secretary

Don Spann, Chairman