



213 S. Marquette St. Ironwood, MI 49938  
Memorial Building, Conference Room #1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

***Planning Commission Work Session Agenda***

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1. Call to Order
2. Recording of the Roll
3. Comprehensive Plan



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1. Call to Order
2. Recording of the Roll
3. Approval of the March 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (Three-minute limit)
6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit)
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration
  - a. Consideration of Distribution of the Draft Comprehensive Plan
8. Project Updates
9. Other Business
10. Next Meeting: April 7, 2014
11. Adjournment



**Proceedings of the Ironwood Planning Commission  
Wednesday March 5, 2014**

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A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 in the Conference Room #1, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood, Michigan.

1. Call to Order:

Chair Bergman called the meeting to Order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Bergman, Thomas	X			
Burchell, Bob		X	X	
Cayer, Joseph Sr.	X			
Davey, Sam	X			
Lemke, Joseph	X			
Johnson, Leroy	X			
Semo, Rick, ex-officio, non-voting member	X			
Siler, Mark	X			
	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Quorum</b>	

Also present: Community Development Director Michael J.D. Brown. In the audience was Brian Vukovich

3. Approval of Minutes:

**Motion** by Davey to approve the February 5, 2014 Minutes with correction to Mr. Silver's name in the Roll Call. **Second** by Cayer. **Motion carried 6 to 0.**

4. Approval of the Agenda:

**Motion** by Davey to accept the Agenda. **Second** by Silver. **Motion Carried 6 to 0.**

5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (three-minute limit):

None.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items not on the Agenda (three-minute limit):

None.

7. Items for Discussion and Consideration:

- a. Consideration of PC Case 2014-001 Rezoning of 810 Hill Street from R-1 to C-3 (Brian Vukovich): Director Brown presented the staff report. Attorney Pope recommended a full rezone to C-3, Commercial Highway. Discussion ensued regarding adjoining the immediate properties around this land. Silver said that if this was done, banks would not lend out for a home in a commercial zone, and in fact, effectively lower other home values in the area.

**Motion** by Cayer to recommend to the City Commissioners to rezone 810 Hill Street from R-1 to C-3. **Second** by Silver. **Motion carried 6 to 0.**

- b. Garage Amendment: Director Brown presented this item. Director Brown drew a diagram of a typical lot with setbacks. Discussion ensued. The Committee decided to keep the Garage Ordinance as it is.

8. Project Updates:

Director Brown remind the Commission that photographs are still needed for the Comprehensive Plan. The need is for 'action shots' in and around the City of Ironwood. There are many great scenery photographs from throughout the area. Rick Semo asked Ass't Coon to provide the group with the link to the City "Dropbox" program.

9. Other Business: Mr. Silver will not be in attendance at the April 2, 2014 Meeting.

10. Next Meeting: April 2, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. for a work session with the regular meeting occurring promptly after the work session.

11. Adjournment:

**Motion** by Davey to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. **Second** by Johnson. **Motion Carried 6 - 0.**

Adjournment at 6:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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Thomas Bergman, Chairman

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Kim M. Coon, Community Development Assistant



## MEMO

**To:** Chair Bergman and Planning Commission

**From:** Michael J. D. Brown, Community Development Director

**Date:** March 28, 2014

Meeting Date: April 2, 2014

**Re:** Distribution of Draft Comprehensive Plan for Review and Comment

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On April 2, 2014 the City's planning consultant HKGI will be going through the draft of the comprehensive plan. You will receive an electronic copy of the plan after the presentation. At that point I will ask you to review the plan and provide comments and feedback by **April 28, 2014**. This will allow HKGI to make necessary revisions based on your comments by the May 7, 2014 meeting. I will also be asking the other boards and commissions to review the plan and provide feedback by this date as well and I will be presenting the plan to these boards at their regular meetings throughout the month of April (City Commission EDC, DIDA, Park and Rec).

By the May 7, 2014 meeting the plan should be ready to be distributed to the public for review. It will be posted on the project website for review and comment. A public workshop is tentatively scheduled for Monday May 19, 2014 to allow the public to come in and review the plan and talk with the City and HKGI; this will be similar to the events in January 2014. By the June 4, 2014 meeting the final draft of the plan should be ready. A public hearing will also be scheduled for July 2, 2014 to approve the plan by the Planning Commission. Simultaneously the plan will be reviewed by outside agencies as required per State Statute.

Per Sec 41(1) of the State of Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008 the Planning Commission shall forward the plan to the City Commission for review and comment. Per Section 41(2) the City Commission shall then distribute the plan to all required agencies identified for a 63 day review.

### Recommendation

**To forward the draft comprehensive plan to the City Commission for review and comment per Section 41(1) of the State of Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008.**