

**Planning Board
Woonsocket, Rhode Island
Public Hearing January 2, 2024 6:00 P.M.
Harris Hall, Third Floor, Woonsocket City Hall**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Finlay called the meeting to order at 6:01PM

II. ATTENDANCE REVIEW

Members Present: Kenneth Finlay, Chair
 Wendell Gardner, Vice-Chair
 Barbara Scanlon, Secretary
 Radames Figueroa, Member
 Jonathan Pratt, Member

In Attendance: Michael Debrousse, Director of Planning and Development

III. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A MOTION by Vice-Chair Gardner, seconded by Member Figueroa to approve the meeting minutes of October 3, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

Chair Finlay	Yes to APPROVE
Vice-Chair Gardner	Yes to APPROVE
Secretary Scanlon	Yes to APPROVE
Member Figueroa	Yes to APPROVE
Member Pratt	Yes to APPROVE

Motion PASSED on a 5-0 roll call vote.

A MOTION by Vice-Chair Gardner, seconded by Member Figueroa to approve the minutes. MOTION carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. SUBDIVISION PLAN REVIEW

- a. 0 Irving Avenue | Map F4, Lots 24-91, 24-191, 24-192 | Zone R-3
Application was withdrawn due to lack of certificate of completion.

B. BOND RELEASE

- a. Simonne Avenue | Performance Bond Release

Mr. Debrousse informed the council that the bond release will be done through City Council resolution. The resolution will allow the City Planner to release the bond. Once the resolution is approved then Chairman Finlay and Mr. Bruggemann can finalize all documents. Board voted to approve and move the resolution to the City Council for final approval.

A MOTION by Member Pratt, seconded by Vice-Chair Gardner to approve the resolution to be sent to City Council.

Roll Call Vote:

Chair Finlay	Yes to APPROVE
Vice-Chair Gardner	Yes to APPROVE
Secretary Scanlon	Yes to APPROVE
Member Figueroa	Yes to APPROVE
Member Pratt	Yes to APPROVE

MOTION carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

A MOTION by Member Pratt seconded by Vice-Chair Gardner, to approve resolution. MOTION carried.

V. OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS

- a. City Council legislation 23-O-24: Amendment to Appendix C, entitled "Zoning" regulating office co-cops

The Board discussed the current status of zoning changes relating to office co-ops and their definitions. The City of Woonsocket is seeking additional legal counsel to assist with Planning and Zoning matters, the decision needs to be approved by the City Council. Mr. Debrosse stated that there are no pending applications that this legislation would apply to and suggested tabling until further discussion and research can be done.

A MOTION by Vice-Chair Gardner, seconded by Secretary Scanlon to table the vote until further notice.

Roll Call Vote:

Chair Finlay	Yes to APPROVE
Vice-Chair Gardner	Yes to APPROVE
Secretary Scanlon	Yes to APPROVE
Member Figueroa	Yes to APPROVE
Member Pratt	Yes to APPROVE

MOTION carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

A MOTION by Vice-Chair Gardner seconded by Secretary Scanlon to approve resolution. MOTION carried.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chairman Finlay inquired about the new sign for St. James Baptist Church, Mr. Bruggemann clarified that it will be going on the Providence Street side of the property. Mr. Bruggemann updated the Board on the Comprehensive Plan which is expected to be completed in late February.

VII. UPCOMING MEETING: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 -6:30PM

VIII. ADJORNMENT

MOTION by Vice-Chair Gardner, seconded by Member Figueroa, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Chair Finlay	Yes to APPROVE
Vice-Chair Gardner	Yes to APPROVE
Secretary Scanlon	Absent
Member Figueroa	Yes to APPROVE
Member Pratt	Yes to APPROVE

MOTION carried. Chairman Finlay adjourned the meeting at 6:35P.M.