

***City of Erie Planning Commission
Erie, Pennsylvania
August 21, 2018***

-Minutes-

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission was held Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 1:00 pm in Room 500 of the City of Erie Municipal Building, 626 State Street, Erie PA.

1. *Call to Order / Roll Call*

Member Name	Present	Absent
Thomas Dworzanski, Chair		X
Don Marinelli, Vice-Chair	X	
Armand Chimenti	X	
Mark Kloecker	X	
Richard Speicher	X	

Four of five members present; quorum achieved

2. *Approval of the July 17, 2018 meeting minutes.* On a motion by Mr. Speicher, seconded by Mr. Kloecker, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to approve the July 17, 2018 meeting minutes as received.

3. *Review of a petition to vacate a section of unimproved alley between Chestnut Street & Myrtle Street between West 25th Street & West 26th Street.*

Planning Commission members were provided with copies of a petition submitted by Saint Vincent Health Center to vacate an approximately 100' long section of unimproved alley between Chestnut Street & Myrtle Street between West 25th Street & West 26th Street in the City of Erie.

Paul Matters and Tom Kuhn, representing Saint Vincent Health Center, were present to explain the alley vacation request. Mr. Kuhn stated that the alley area being vacated abuts the Saint Vincent property on the north and three properties on the south, one of which is also owned by Saint Vincent. He noted that the other two effected property owners signed consents to the alley vacation; added as supplements to the initial petition. Mr. Matters indicated that the alley vacation will enable them to construct Saint Vincent's new canter center building per the preferred design and also better accommodate hospital campus improvements.

Mr. Welsh indicated that notification of the proposed alley vacation was provided to all potentially affected public utilities prior to their regular meeting; and there were no issues or concerns identified by those notified, or by any other interested parties. The proposed alley vacation is consistent with the Erie City Comprehensive Plan, which recommends productive reuse of empty or underutilized spaces, in this case accommodating the hospital campus improvements.

On a motion by Mr. Kloecker and seconded by Mr. Chimenti, after consideration of the above factors and all input received, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the proposed alley vacation.

4. *Being no further business; the meeting adjourned.*