

CITY OF BURTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2000, 6:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Special Meeting was called to order by Paula Zelenko, Council President, at 6:37 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brawner, Centilli, Cross, Martinbianco, Tinnin, Wells and Zelenko.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: C. Abbey, Administrative Assistant; D. Lowthian, Assessor and C. Ladd, Deputy City Clerk.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Second Public Hearing for Zoning Case #254 to rezone property located on Lippincott between Christner St. and Center Road, from C-2 to HRM for the purpose of a Senior Housing Development (Mary A. Rolfe & Associates, 2130 S. Center Road, Burton, MI 48519).

PRESENTATION:

There was no one present to represent the zoning case.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

John Stapish, PO Box 19134, Burton, MI, spoke against the rezoning request. He stated that there are no plans for the additional 11 acres and there is already another senior high-rise proposed for that area. He said there are no guarantees that it won't be a slum area in the future. There are juvenile delinquents which flourish in that area. It's just too uncertain of a proposal.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Mr. Cross asked if there is a reason why there is no representative at the meeting.

Mr. Abbey said he has no reason why the applicant isn't present. However, there are times that when it gets to the second public hearing, all of the concerns are addressed at the first public hearing.

Mr. Martinbianco said this situation has been encountered in the past. He has concerns that the applicant isn't here and the audience participation is low. He doesn't think it is fair to proceed without the applicant representing their case. There may be questions that need to be answered and they should be here to do so. Also, there has been discussion about the possibility of a PILOT Ordinance. He said he thinks all interested parties should be notified and the zoning case should be postponed until the first meeting in October.

COUNCIL ACTION:

Moved by Cross, seconded by Martinbianco to postpone Zoning Case #254 until October 2, 2000 at 7:00 P.M.
Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:44 P.M.

Cheryl M. Ladd, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

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