

JOINT MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL AND CITY PLAN COMMISSION
Tuesday, October 6, 2020

A joint meeting of the Common Council and City Plan Commission was called to order at 6:14 p.m. by Mayor/Chairperson David Ward in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street.

Roll Call: Alderpersons Helen Bacon, Dan Williams, Spencer Gustafson, Gary Nault, Seth Wiederanders, and Kirsten Reeths were present. Mr. Wiederanders and Ms. Reeths appeared virtually via Zoom. Plan Commission members Debbie Kiedrowski, Mayor David Ward, Dennis Statz, Mark Holey, and Kirsten Reeths were present. Ms. Reeths appeared virtually via Zoom. Excused: Member Jeff Norland. Also present via Zoom were Vandewalle & Associates consultants Meredith Perks and Jeff Maloney. City Administrator Josh VanLieshout, Community Development Director Marty Olejniczak, Planner/Zoning Administrator Chris Sullivan-Robinson, and Community Development Secretary Cheryl Nault were also present.

Adoption of agenda: Moved by Mr. Nault, seconded by Mr. Williams to adopt the following agenda:

1. Roll call.
2. Adoption of agenda.
3. Public hearing regarding the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan.
4. Consideration of: Resolution of the City of Sturgeon Bay Plan Commission to recommend the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan. (Action by Plan Commission members only)
5. First reading of ordinance – Adoption of the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan. (Action by Common Council only)
6. Adjourn.

All ayes. Carried.

Public hearing regarding the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan: Mayor Ward opened the public hearing at 6:16 p.m.

Hans Christian, 330 N 3rd Avenue, said he was attending the hearing because he wanted to learn more about the Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Nault read one letter of correspondence from melaniejane, 30 N. 1st Avenue.

Mr. Olejniczak added that there was a memo received from Vandewalle & Associates describing a few changes and updates, as well as an email from Plan Commissioner Mark Holey with some suggested edits. One of the items from Vandewalle that they would like to include in the appendix is the land use demand projection chart.

The public hearing was declared closed at 6:24 p.m.

Ms. Perks went through the process of creating the Comprehensive Plan including the various public participation aspects. She highlighted the key elements of the plan, including community vision statement/graphic. The Future Land Use Map is to guide land use decisions. With the targeted planning areas, additional planning could transform and represent change to the Sturgeon Bay downtown, West Waterfront, and Egg Harbor Road areas in the future.

Mayor Ward complimented Ms. Perk's summary. Per page 185 in the plan, several public workshops were held pre-pandemic. A lot of public input is the base for the plan.

Mr. Maloney stated that there are other communities that have put their project on hold because of the pandemic. Sturgeon Bay was fortunate to have completed most of the work and public input prior to the pandemic.

Mr. Nault added that one thing he would have liked to have seen in the plan is the great fishing opportunities Sturgeon Bay has to offer like no other. Recently, there were two major fishing tournaments held in Sturgeon Bay

that spent over \$5 million in our community. Our sport fishing and commercial fishing industries are a big part of our community.

Consideration of: Resolution of the City of Sturgeon Bay Plan Commission to recommend the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan. (Action by Plan Commission members only): The Plan Commission acted on the resolution. Moved by Ms. Reeths, seconded by Mr. Holey to recommend to Council the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan, including the final changes in the memo from Vandewalle & Associates, as well as suggested edits in Mr. Holey's email. Roll call vote. All ayes. Carried.

First reading of ordinance – Adoption of the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan. (Action by Common Council only): The Council acted on the first reading of the ordinance. Moved by Mr. Nault, seconded by Ms. Bacon to adopt the City of Sturgeon Bay 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Roll call vote. All ayes. Carried.

The second reading of the ordinance will take place at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Olejniczak thanked everyone at Vandewalle & Associates for the work they put into the plan.

Mayor Ward thanked staff as well.

Adjourn: Moved by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Gustafson to adjourn. All ayes. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Nault
Community Development Secretary