

CITY OF NORTON SHORES  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
April 14, 2015

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 5:30 p.m., Norton Shores Branch Library, 705 Seminole Road.

Present: Chairman Trygstad, Commissioners Bolhuis, Cross, Drier, Lester, Otto, Ruitter and Westgate; also Rob Bilkie, Jim Murphy, Lynne Fuller and Susan Franklin

Excused: Commissioner Olson

15-P10 Minutes

Commissioner Bolhuis moved to adopt the minutes of the March 10, 2015 Planning Commission meeting. The motion was supported by Commissioner Drier and carried unanimously.

15-P11 Consent Agenda

Commissioner Otto moved to adopt the Consent Agenda which consisted of:  
a) Resolution scheduling a public hearing date of May 12, 2015, to consider a special use permit request from Verizon Wireless for property at 455 Ellis Road; and b) Resolution scheduling a public hearing date of May 12, 2015 to consider a special use permit request for Stacy Walters for property at 931 Ashlee Court. The motion was supported by Commissioner Cross and carried unanimously.

15-P12 Public Hearing – Zoning Ordinance Amendment – 455 Ellis Road, Verizon Wireless

The City Clerk certified the publishing and mailing of the public notice.

A public hearing was held. No one commented on the request.

Commissioner Bolhuis moved to adopt a resolution recommending to the City Council that the Wireless Communication Towers and Antennas Overlay Zone Map be amended to include the property at 455 Ellis Road as a permitted location via the special use permit provisions of the Zoning Ordinance pending FAA approval. The recommendation for approval was based on the following reasons: 1) The location does not conflict with airport runways at this time; 2) The site offers a lot of space for construction of a tower; 3) The use fits well within Ordinance requirement; and 4) Adding this location is an asset to the school. The motion was supported by Commissioner Cross and carried unanimously.

15-P13 Site Plan Approval – WESCO,, 1025 E. Pontaluna Road

Commissioner Otto moved to adopt a resolution granting site plan approval to WESCO for the construction of a 3,900 square foot gas station and convenience store at 1025 E. Pontaluna Road, including various site improvements, with the condition that all approved site work will be completed prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy by the City. The motion was supported by Commissioner Ruiter and carried unanimously with Commissioner Westgate abstaining.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



Lynne A. Fuller, City Clerk