



**REGULAR PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 6, 2019**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairperson Josh Spare, Vice-Chairperson John Lopez, Secretary Cheryl Smith, Commissioners Max Coleman, Clayton Fisher, Bill Moser, Shawn Connor, Lynn Motley.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Eduardo Carranza

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Steve Norwood, Director of Development Services, David Jones, Chief City Planner, Charles Lee, Senior Planner, Savannah Ware, Senior Planner, Nyliah Acosta, Planner, Mark Dempsey, Deputy City Attorney, Cindy Mendez, Environmental Manager, and Chris Hartmann, Executive Assistant.

Chairperson Josh Spare called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers in the City Hall Building at 6:35 p.m. Commissioner Motley gave the invocation, Chairperson Spare led the pledge of allegiance to the US Flag, and the Texas Flag.

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA Item #13- TA190601 – Text Amendment – An Amendment to Article 4 of the Unified Development Code. Chief City Planner David Jones presented the case report and gave a Power Point presentation to revise the use tables to include regulations governing the sales of prepackaged liquor for off-site consumption.

Mr. Jones stated the purpose of this amendment is to update Article 4 in response to a Grand Prairie special election ballot item which would legalize the sale of all alcoholic beverages throughout the city. Current use charts allow only the sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption. The proposed amendment would add pre-packaged liquor sales for off-premise consumption. Existing regulations concerning distance limitations from churches and schools would continue to apply to all alcohol sales.

Commissioner Motley asked if grocery stores, like Kroger, would also be allowed to sell liquor. Mr. Jones stated Sam's and Walmart have a case before the Supreme Court in Texas to allow liquor in their stores, if approved then yes all grocery stores would be allowed to sell liquor.

Chairperson Spare stated there were no questions for staff, opened the public hearing, and called for individuals wishing to speak on this item.

There being no further discussion on the case commissioner Moser moved to close the public hearing and approve case TA190601 as presented by staff. The action and vote being recorded as follows:

Motion: Moser

Second: Coleman

Ayes: Coleman, Connor, Fisher, Lopez, Moser, Motley, Smith, Spare

Nays: None

Approved: 8-0

Motion: **carried.**