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Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2015

Planning Council Members Present: Etienne Hancock, Yvette Mason, Max Paine, & Mark Struhsacker

Planning Council Members Absent: Paul Griswold, Tom Snipp & Andrea Caldwell Beeman

Staff: Erica Allen

Guests: Julia Compagnia & Atty John Hollar representing Hirschak / 704 Bridge St LLC

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order in the Community Meeting Room of the Tegu Building at 43 Portland Street at approximately 7:00 P.M.

Discussion: Potential Town Plan & Zoning Updates for Green Mtn Arena Area –

Discussed the Petition submitted by the Hirschaks' attorney, John Hollar and how the Council should proceed. There was much confusion on what the purpose of tonight's meeting was supposed to be about. Ultimately the members decided it would be best to talk with Todd Thomas, Zoning Administrator on speaker phone to get some direction. Todd suggested the focus of the meeting should be the timing of when the Council wants to hold a Town Plan hearing regarding revising the Land Use section to include language that would allow the Hirschaks to operate an auction facility at 704 Bridge St. If the members decide to open the Town plan then the Flood Resiliency Plan will also need to be completed and submitted with the Town Plan and a report will need to be written to address the extent to which the plan, as amended, is consistent with the goals as established in 24V.S.A § 4302 and if the plan would alter the designation of any land area. Todd said that he could begin work on these when he returns on the 12th of January.

Member Hancock moved to include the sentence "This should include the former Green Mtn. Arena parcels located at 704 Bridge St." and also leave the sentence "Of these areas one or two at most, may be chose as a site for expanded business zoning provided that Bishop Marshall's land in the Business Enterprise Zone remains off the market" but change the "one or two" to the number three. A vote of 4 to 0 affirmed the motion.

Members set the Town Plan Public Hearing date for February 24.

Approve prior meeting minutes – Member Paine moved to approve the December 2nd meeting minutes. A vote of 4 to 0 affirmed the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM – submitted by Erica Allen, Town Staff