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AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 29 of the City Code as it relates to the powers and duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission in the Unified Development Code (UDC); and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 29 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 29-6.1. Reviewers and decision-making bodies.

This article 6 of chapter 29 identifies officers and bodies authorized to review, recommend, or make decisions regarding required applications, permits, and approvals under this chapter. Any reference to an officer or body includes any agents, employees, subordinates, or others to which the named individual or body has lawfully delegated power to take the action.

(a) *City council.* The city council is the governing body of the city. In connection with this Unified Development Code, the council's responsibilities include approving amendments to the city's adopted comprehensive plan, approving amendments to the text of this chapter, and approving amendments to the official zoning map, appointing the members of the commission and board, and performing any additional duties set forth in this chapter.

(b) *Planning and zoning commission (P&Z).*

(1) *Continued existence, membership, and qualifications, attendance.*

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(2) *Powers and duties.* The commission shall:

(i) Prepare and submit to the council for its adoption a comprehensive plan for the physical development of the city and uses of land in the city. The plan may include the general location and character of residential, commercial, mixed use, industrial and other areas, the general location, character and extent of streets, bridges, parks, waterways and other public ways, grounds, and spaces, together with the general location of public buildings and other public property, public utilities, and redevelopment ~~the extent and location of any public housing or slum clearance projects.~~ The plan shall contain the commission's recommendations for the land and may include those contents outlined in section 89.340 RSMo.

(ii) Make recommendations in connection with the execution and detailed interpretation of the comprehensive plan.

(iii) Act as a zoning commission, in accordance with the provisions of present or future state zoning enabling acts.

(iv) Prepare and recommend to the council rules controlling the subdivision of land.

(v) Make recommendations regarding the approval or disapproval of plats for land subdivision. All such plats shall be referred to the commission before the council takes any action. Failure of the commission to act within sixty (60) days shall be deemed a recommendation for approval.

(vi) Recommend to the council such amendments or revisions to this chapter as the commission shall deem necessary or desirable for the promotion of the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the city. Such provisions may include regulations as to the location, width, height, and bulk of buildings; the size of yards, courts, and other open spaces surrounding buildings; and the use of buildings and land. The commission shall hear applications for amendments, modifications or revisions of this chapter and shall forward such applications to the council with its recommendations on the application. The recommendations of the commission shall not be binding upon the council, which may approve or disapprove the commission's findings; however, no plan or ordinance related to zoning, nor any modification, amendment or revision of such a plan or ordinance, shall be finally considered by the council unless it has been first submitted to the commission for its examination and recommendation.

(vii) Recommend from time to time any other legislation which may be desirable to further the purposes of city planning.

(viii) Make such reports to the council as it may deem proper or as required by the council.

(ix) Assume any other powers and perform any other duties as are provided for by the Charter of the city or by council action.

(x) Adopt rules for the conduct of its business that are consistent with the purposes of the commission and the requirements of this chapter, which shall be approved by council ordinance.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this 1st day of March, 2021.

ATTEST:




City Clerk



Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Counselor