

AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2014, SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Ambler Borough Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers located at 122 East Butler Avenue, Ambler, Pennsylvania. Chairman Steven Ware presided. This Special Meeting is to accommodate Applicant AMA for their proposal to construct townhouses on its South Chestnut Street parcel.

Roll Call: Present: Peter Amento, Salvatore A. Boccuti, Carol Ann DiPietro, Elizabeth Iovine, Robert Lagreca, Dan McCormick and Steve Ware. Meredith Curran Trego, Montgomery County Planner, Ronald E. Myers, Sr., Ambler Borough Code Enforcement Officer, and James Dougherty, of Gilmore and Associates, Inc., Borough Engineer, were also in attendance.

William Mulroy and Al Comly were excused from attendance.

Robert Lagreca made a motion; seconded by Elizabeth Iovine to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of February 25, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council recommends that the Planning Commission review and recommend a text amendment to the TOD – Transit Oriented Zoning District (RO Redevelopment Overlay District). This Text Amendment was prepared by Applicant AMA/American Marketing Association, Inc., and is submitted for review to allow townhomes to be considered multi-family for purposes of the subsection to Chapter 27 (Zoning) Part 27 at Section 27-2703. This Amendment was revised to use the County Planning Commission's suggested language. Robert Lagreca made a motion that the Planning Commission recommend this Text Amendment to Council. Daniel McCormick seconded the motion. Five of the seven members present voted yes, two members abstained from voting as they had recused themselves, and two members had excused absences. A letter will be sent to Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan to construct 40 townhouses including streets and utilities. The property is located at South Chestnut Street, Tax Parcel #01-00-01157-30-9, Parcel "D". Current owner is AMA/American Marketing Association, Inc., c/o Arnold Frumin, 57 Old Post Road, Greenwich, Connecticut. The Applicant and contact person is David Caddick, Caddick Construction Co., Inc. 254 S Main Street, Ambler. The Engineer for the applicant is Pennoni Associates, Inc., One Drexel Plaza, 3001 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA. The current zoning of the property is OC- Office Campus along with RO – Redevelopment Overlay District. No presentation of the plan was made.

CONTINUED BUSINESS FOR MARCH 25, 2014, MEETING

Review of revised Plan.

Several residents were in attendance and had several comments and questions.

Robert Lagreca moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m., and Daniel McCormick seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Ann DiPietro
Recording Secretary,
AMBLER BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION