

The Minutes of the City of Ocean Springs
Planning Commission
Tuesday April 8, 2025

1. Call Meeting to Order

A meeting of the City of Ocean Springs Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Andy Phelan at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday April 8, 2025. The members present were Matthew Hinton, Kevin O'Connell, Joey Conwill and Joseph McCormick. Absent was Marshall Johnson and Nicholas Geiser. Also present was Wade Morgan Planning Director, Planner Elizabeth Dill, Planning Administrator Hannah Sullivan, and City Attorney Will Norman.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- a) March 11, 2025

A motion was made by Matthew Hinton, seconded by Joey Conwill to accept the minutes from March 11, 2025, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Old Business:

- a) None.

4. New Business:

- a. **Public Hearing: 901 Bienville Blvd. northwest corner of Bienville Blvd. and Washington Ave.– Requesting the Vacation of Alley; abutting PIDN: 60119054.000, 60119056.000, 60119058.000, 60119046.000, 60119042.000, 60119048.000, 60119050.000 – Tom Davies - Managing Partner with Cardiff Development Partners**

A motion was made by Matthew Hinton and seconded by Kevin O'Connell to open public hearing. The motion was carried unanimously. A motion was made by Kevin O'Connell and seconded by Joey Conwill to close public hearing.

A motion was made by Matthew Hinton and seconded by Joey Conwill to table the vacation of the alley until the access easement and the sewer line are agreeable by the city and both parties. This will be reviewed at the next planning commission May 13, 2025.

- b. **Public Hearing: 241 Lovers Lane – PIDN: 61465013.100– Katherine Vidrine – Approval of a Short-Term Rental Permit**

A motion was made by Kevin O'Connell and seconded by Joseph McCormick to open public hearing. The motion was carried unanimously. Tom Sematook, Ray wise, Paul Broussard, Renne Mitchel, Bil Yockey, Jenny Boskovich, Karen Stennis, George Thamer spoke against the short term rental permit. A motion was made by Matthew Hinton and

Joseph McCormick to close public hearing. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Kevin O'Connell and seconded by Joseph McCormick to recommend approval of the short term rental permit. The motion carried unanimously.

5. General Public Comment

6. Commissioners Forum –

Matthew Hinton discussed wanting to freeze any additional new permits from being issued and would like to discuss the short-term rental ordinance with the board and redraft the ordinance. It was suggested that we add an item for the next Planning Commission meeting to discuss ideas for the short-term rental ordinance before presenting it to the board.

7. Adjourn

A motion was made by Kevin O'Connell seconded by Joseph McCormick to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.