

**City of Red Bud  
Planning Commission Public Hearing & Meeting  
November 21, 2023**

The November 21, 2023 meeting and public hearing of the Red Bud Planning Commission was called to order by Chairwoman Andrea Letcher-Martin at 7:05 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janet Braun, Jeff Hicks, Andrea Letcher-Martin, John Holzum, Robbie Aubuchon, and Scott Voss.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: None

AUDIENCE: Tom Smith and Jose Mata representative for Tequilas, Josh Johnson and Alan Lasley candidates to fill open Planning Commission seats.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

**HEARING:**

One hearing was scheduled, a special use permit filed by Jose Mata of Red Bud Tequilas to allow a service window at 1030 S Main St.

Andrea noted after discussion with Jeff Mueller, City Zoning Administrator and Byron Burmester, owner of the property, neither see any issue for concern of the new window.

Tom Smith, contractor for Tequilas explained that the window will bump out on the south side of the building, drivers will enter off of East Field, proceed East and exit onto Hartman Dr. An awning will be added along the south side of the building along with additional lighting. Signage will be added to direct patrons in the direction of the pick-up window.

Andrea directed questions to Jose Mata, the Red Bud location will be the first with a pick-up window. Tequila's is currently working on a South County location that is still in the works due to St. Louis County requirements.

Jeff Hicks made the motion to accept the application as presented, Robbie Aubuchon second. John Holzum was a no. Voting went person to person Robbie yes, Scott, yes, John, no, Janet, yes and Jeff yes. Motion passed four to one.

Andrea noted this was a recommendation and final approval will be confirmed at the City Council meeting on December 4, 2023.

**OTHER ITEMS**

Approval of prior month's meeting minutes.

John Holzum made the motion with Jeff Hicks as second. All approved and motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

None

## GOOD OF ORDER

Josh Johnson spoke to the board about filling an empty seat on the Planning Commission. Josh lives in ward 4 and has lived in Red Bud for fifteen years. He is the Municipal Relations Manager for Waste Management. He is aware of the roll of the Planning Commission as he works on the Governmental relations committee with Waste Management. He confirmed he will commit to this position and able to attend monthly meetings.

Alan Lasley spoke to the board about filling the second empty seat on the Planning Commission. Alan lives in ward 2 and has lived in Red Bud for 17 years. Alan is a previous member of the school board in Joplin, Mo. Alan taught at SIUC and McKendree working with students to get a military degree in Industrial Technology. Alan is aware of the roll of the planning commission and, because he is retired, has no issues with availability for monthly meetings.

Andrea advised that Jeff will present recommendations to the City Council for final approval.

Jeff was not present for the meeting, Andrea advised at this time there are no hearings scheduled for December. The December meeting will be cancelled to allow for a Christmas get together for the members.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was first given by Scott Voss and second by Jeff Hicks. All approved and meeting adjourned.

Acting Scribe  
Patty Rieke