



City of Binghamton Planning Department

Mayor, Richard C. David
 Director, Dr. Juliet Berling

SUMMARY OF MINUTES CITY OF BINGHAMTON PLANNING COMMISSION	
MEETING DATE: September 13, 2021	LOCATION: City Council Chambers, City Hall
CALLED TO ORDER: 5:15PM	RECORDER OF MINUTES: Obed Varughese

ROLL CALL		
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
Nicholas Corcoran (chair)	X	
Joseph De Angelo (vice-chair)	X	X
Christopher Dziedzic		X
Mario DiFulvio		
Paul O'Brien	X	
Kelly Weiss	X	
Emmanuel Priest	X	
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:	TITLE & DEPARTMENT:	
Dr. Juliet Berling	Director, Planning Department	
Tito Martinez	Assistant Director, Planning Department	
Sean McGee	Historic Planner, Planning Department	
Obed Varughese	Planner, Planning Department	
Greg Buell	Zoning Officer, Planning Department	
Brian Seachrist	First Assistant Corporation Counsel	

SEQR DETERMINATIONS		
ADDRESS: 490 Conklin Ave		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Site Plan Review and special use permit to construct an addition onto an existing Light Industrial building in the I-2 Light & Medium Industrial District		
APPLICANT: McIntosh Laboratory, Inc.		
REPRESENTATIVE(S): Scott Parker		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 4,600 sq ft addition on Chambers St side ▪ Space needed for metal fabrication ▪ Got approval 0' setback from ZBA 		
VOTING		
MOTION that the Planning Commission intends to act as Lead Agency in SEQR review and that the action is Unlisted under SEQR		
FIRST: Corcoran	SECOND: De Angelo	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)
MOTION to schedule a public hearing at the October regular meeting		
FIRST: Corcoran	SECOND: O'Brien	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)
SEQR DETERMINATIONS		
ADDRESS: 75 Griswold St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Site Plan Review and special use permit to establish a General Industry facility in an existing building, including the construction of a storage silo, in the I-3 Heavy Industrial District.		

APPLICANT: KLAW Industries		
REPRESENTATIVE(S): Jacob Kumpon		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No exterior changes proposed ▪ Purchasing a portion of Griswold St 		
VOTING		
MOTION that the Planning Commission intends to act as Lead Agency in SEQR review and that the action is Unlisted under SEQR		
FIRST: Corcoran	SECOND: Weiss	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)
MOTION to schedule a public hearing at the October regular meeting		
FIRST: Corcoran	SECOND: O'Brien	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

PUBLIC HEARINGS & FINAL DELIBERATIONS		
ADDRESS: 20 Hawley St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Site Plan Review for an Eating & Drinking establishment in an existing building in the C-2 Downtown Business District		
APPLICANT: Beer Tree		
REPRESENTATIVE(S): Ben Samberg		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No changes from last meeting ▪ 239 Comment received ▪ Construction to start within the next 6-8 weeks 		
PUBLIC COMMENT:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No one spoke in favor of the application. ▪ No one spoke in opposition to the application. ▪ No letters received. 		
VOTING		
MOTION that the requirements for Site Plan Review have been met and therefore the application has been approved		
FIRST: Corcoran	SECOND: Weiss	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

PUBLIC HEARINGS & FINAL DELIBERATIONS		
ADDRESS: 40 Clinton St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Site Plan Review and special use permit for an animal crematorium in an existing commercial building in the C-4 Neighborhood Commercial District		
APPLICANT: Francisco Matesanz		
REPRESENTATIVE(S): Francisco Matesanz		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Planter box added ▪ Smoke Stack particulates 		
PUBLIC COMMENT:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No one spoke in favor of the application. ▪ Ray Shupa spoke in opposition to the application. ▪ No letters received. 		
APPLICANT RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New business venture, no prior experience • Location chosen because of relation to the area • Building will open to the public 		

- Hours of operation will be 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM
- Largest animal could possibly be 150 pound dog
- Stack will be located on left rear of the building
- Odor will not be detected according to manufacturer
- Waste ash will be used for soil or disposed of properly

VOTING

MOTION to table the project

FIRST: Corcoran	SECOND: O'Brien	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)
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OTHER BUSINESS

DESCRIPTION:

- Local Revitalization Plan

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn	TIME: 7:00 PM
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FIRST: Priest	SECOND: Corcoran	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)
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