

## **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Chairperson Greg Fargen called the meeting of the City Planning Commission to order on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 5:30 PM in the Council Chambers Room #310 on the third floor of the City & County Government Center. Members present were Tanner Aiken, Kyle Jamison, Gregg Jorgenson, Jacob Mills, Lee Ann Pierce, Roger Solum, and Fargen. Absent were James Drew and Nick Schmiechel. Also present were City Planner Ryan Miller, Community Development Director Mike Struck, Angie Boersma, and Lane Worzeka with HME.

**Item #6d** – The City of Brookings submitted amendments to Chapter 94, Article IV, Division 2 related to the maximum allowable heights in the B-1, B-2, B-2A, B-3, B-4, B-5, I-1, I-1R and I-2 Districts.

(Solum/Mills) Motion to approve the amendments. Pierce voted no. All others voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **OFFICIAL SUMMARY**

**Item #6d**– This amendment pertains to the maximum height allowed. Previously the Planning Commission had amended the height restrictions in the residential districts. These amendments would increase the maximum height allowed in the B-1, B-2, B-2A and B-3 zoning districts to 60' which would match what is allowed in the R-3 and R-3A Districts. These amendments would eliminate the height maximum in the B-4, B-5, I-1, I-2 and I-1R districts as they would be required to follow the bufferyard requirements being proposed.

Pierce is not in favor of these amendments for the downtown area. Miller explained that the downtown area is zoned B-1 but they would still need to complete the historic review process and be approved. Pierce feels that these amendments could affect the historic nature of downtown.

Aiken asked how the required number of trees and shrubs in the landscape requirements would be calculated and would these requirements increase the required number. Miller explained that each district has different bufferyard requirements. The number stated in the requirements would not be increasing the requirements in the district.