

Agenda Item Number

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Date October 5, 2020

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING ON REQUEST FROM PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF DES MOINES (OWNER) FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED 4TH AMENDMENT TO THE PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH PUD CONCEPTUAL PLAN FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF 4126 INGERSOLL AVENUE TO ALLOW ROOF MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS ON THE CHURCH BUILDING

WHEREAS, the City Plan and Zoning Commission has advised that at a public hearing held on September 17, 2020, its members voted 11-0 in support of a motion to recommend **APPROVAL** of a request from Plymouth Church of Des Moines (owner) represented by Emily Tripp (officer), regarding property located in the vicinity of 4126 Ingersoll Avenue, to allow approval of a 4th Amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan, to allow roof-mounted solar panels on the church building.

WHEREAS, the property is legally described as follows:

-EXCEPT THE NORTH 17.5 FEET-, THE NORTH HALF OF LOTS 4, 5, AND 8, GREENWOOD PARK, AN OFFICIAL PLAT; AND

-EXCEPT THE NORTH 17.5 FEET-, ALL THAT PART OF THE VACATED 41ST STREET RIGHT OF WAY LYING EAST OF AND ADJOINING THE NORTH HALF OF SAID LOT 5; AND

THE WEST 66.3 FEET OF THE SOUTH 67.5 FEET OF THE NORTH 85 FEET OF LOT 9, IN SAID GREENWOOD PARK; AND

THE NORTH 150 FEET OF THE SOUTH 450 FEET OF SAID LOT 9; AND

-EXCEPT THE WEST 66.3 FEET-, THE SOUTH 67.5 FEET OF THE NORTH 85 FEET OF SAID LOT 9; AND

THE NORTH 65 FEET OF THE SOUTH 515 FEET OF SAID LOT 9;

ALL NOW INCLUDED IN AND FORMING A PART OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, POLK COUNTY, IOWA.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

- 1. That the attached communication from the Plan and Zoning Commission is hereby received and filed.
- 2. That the City Council consider the request for review and approval of the 4th Amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan at a hearing to be held at 5:00 p.m. on October 19, 2020, by electronic means to encourage and maintain social distancing to curb the spread of COVID19 in the community, without public access to the meeting location, at which time the City Council will hear both those who oppose and those who favor the proposal.
- 3. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said proposal in the accompanying form to be given by publication once, not less than seven (7) days and not more



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than twenty (20) days before the date of hearing, all as specified in Section 362.3 and Section 414.4 of the Iowa Code. The City Clerk is instructed to provide this notice including information about participation in the electronic meeting as indicated above.

Moved by ______ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

(ZON2020-00107)

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT	
COWNIE					
BOESEN					
GATTO					
GRAY					
MANDELBAUM					
VOSS			-		
WESTERGAARD					
TOTAL					
OTION CARRIED			APPROVED		

CERTIFICATE

I, P. Kay Cmelik, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.



Date_ Agenda Item Roll Call #_

September 29, 2020

Honorable Mayor and City Council City of Des Moines, Iowa

Members:

Communication from the City Plan and Zoning Commission advising that at their September 17, 2020 meeting, the following action was taken regarding a request from Plymouth Church of Des Moines (owner) represented by Emily Tripp (officer) for a 4th Amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan for property located in the vicinity of 4126 Ingersoll Avenue, to allow roof-mounted solar panels on the church building.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

Commission Action:	Yes	Nays	Pass	Absent
Francis Boggus				Х
Dory Briles	Х			
Abby Chungath	Х			
Kayla Berkson	Х			
Jann Freed	Х			
Johnny Alcivar	Х			
Lisa Howard	Х			
Carolyn Jenison	Х			
Greg Jones	Х			
William Page	Х			
Rocky Sposato				Х
Steve Wallace	Х			
Greg Wattier				Х
Emily Webb	Х			

After public hearing, the members voted 11-0 as follows:

APPROVAL of the proposed amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan subject to the provision of a note that states that any building-mounted solar panel shall comply with Section 135-2.22.4E of the Planning and Design Ordinance to the satisfaction of the Planning Administrator. (ZON2020-00107) Written Responses 3 in Favor 0 in opposition

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE P&Z COMMISSION

Staff recommends approval of the proposed amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan subject to the provision of a note that states that any building-mounted solar panel shall comply with Section 135-2.22.4E of the Planning and Design Ordinance to the satisfaction of the Planning Administrator.

STAFF REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. **Purpose of Request:** The proposed PUD Conceptual Plan amendment would allow roof-mounted solar panels to be installed on the south facing portion of the roof on the southernmost wing of the church building.
- 2. Size of Site: 5.11 acres.
- 3. Existing Zoning (site): Plymouth Congregational Church PUD District.
- **4. Existing Land Use (site):** The subject property within the PUD contains the Plymouth Congregational Church campus. The balance of the PUD contains two single-household dwellings, and one duplex dwelling and a multiple-household building.

5. Adjacent Land Use and Zoning:

East - "PUD"; Uses are residential.

West - "NX1"; Uses are residential and office.

North - "NX3"; Use is a multiple-household building.

South - "P2"; Uses are the St. Augustin's Church campus.

- 6. General Neighborhood/Area Land Uses: The subject property is located on the southeast corner of the Ingersoll Avenue and 42nd Street intersection. The area contains a mix of residential, institutional and office uses.
- 7. Applicable Recognized Neighborhood(s): The subject property is in the North of Grand Neighborhood and within 250 feet of the Ingersoll Park Neighborhood and Salisbury Oaks Neighborhood. All neighborhood associations were notified of the meeting by mailing of the Preliminary Agenda on August 28, 2020. Additionally, separate notifications of the hearing for this specific item were mailed on August 28, 2020 (20 days prior to the hearing) and September 4, 2020 (10 days prior to the hearing) to the primary titleholder on file with the Polk County Assessor for each property within 250 feet of the requested rezoning and to the neighborhood contracts for the three neighborhood associations. A Final Agenda for the meetings were mailed to all the recognized neighborhood associations on September 11, 2020.

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The North of Grand Neighborhood mailings were sent to Jason Norris, 647 34th Street, Des Moines, IA 50312. The Ingersoll Park Neighborhood mailings were sent to Ann Schmid, 4244 Harwood Drive, Des Moines, IA 50312. The Salisbury Oaks Neighborhood mailings were sent to Jenn Kirke, 409 43rd Street, Des Moines, IA 50312.

- 8. Relevant Zoning History: The Plymouth Congregational Church "PUD" was originally approved by the City Council on August 20, 2001, by Roll Call Number 01-2583 and Ordinance Number 13,981. The second amendment was approved by the City Council on October 24, 2016, by Roll Call Number 16-1846 and Ordinance Number 15,522. The third amendment was approved by the City Council on October 9, 2017, by Roll Call Number 17-1783.
- **9. PlanDSM Land Use Plan Designation:** The western half of the Plymouth Congregational Church "PUD" is designated as "Medium Density Residential" on the Future Land Use Map. This includes the proposed project area. The eastern half of the PUD is designated as "Community Mixed-Use" on the Future Land Use Map.
- **10.Applicable Regulations:** Taking into consideration the criteria set forth in Chapter 18B of the Iowa Code, the Commission reviews all proposals to amend zoning boundaries or regulations within the City of Des Moines. Such amendments must be in conformance with the comprehensive plan for the City and designed to meet the criteria in 414.3 of the Iowa Code. The Commission may make recommendations to the City Council on conditions to be made in addition to the existing regulations so long as the subject property owner agrees to them in writing. The recommendation of the Commission will be forwarded to the City Council.

The application, accompanying evidence and "PUD" Conceptual Plan shall be considered by the Plan and Zoning commission at a public hearing. The Commission shall review the conformity of the proposed development with the standards of the City Code and with recognized principles of civic design, land use planning, and landscape architecture. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Commission may vote to recommend either approval or disapproval of the amended "PUD" Conceptual Plan as submitted, or to recommend that the developer amend the plan or request to preserve the intent and purpose of this chapter to promote public health, safety, morals and general welfare. The recommendations of the Commission shall be referred to the City Council.

II. ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE INFORMATION

- 1. PUD Standards: The existing PUD Conceptual Plan does not provide guidance on, or allow the installation of solar panels. As a result, the proposed Conceptual Plan amendment is necessary for the project to move forward. Staff believes that the standards for building mounted solar systems found in the Planning and Design Ordinance should be used as the basis for review of this project. The following language is from Section 135-2.22.4E of the code.
 - **E.** Solar Building-Mounted. A solar energy system that is affixed to or an integral part of a principal or accessory building, including but not limited to photo-voltaic or hot water solar energy systems which are contained within roofing materials, windows, skylights, and awnings.

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- 1. Quantity. The total square footage may not exceed the total area of roof surface of the structure to which the system is attached.
- 2. Flush Mounted System. The bottom of the system should be four Inches or less from the roof surface whenever possible.
- 3. Height
 - a. Systems shall not extend beyond three feet parallel to the roof surface of a pitched roof.
 - b. Systems shall not extend beyond six feet parallel to the roof surface of a flat roof.
 - c. Systems shall not extend more than five feet above the highest peak of a pitched roof.
- 4. Location on Structure. Allowed on the following:
 - a. Any roof face.
 - b. Side and rear building facades.
 - c. Roof of any parking canopy.
- 5. Projection. The system may project off a roof edge or building facade as follows:
 - a. May project laterally from a building façade or roof edge a maximum of seven feet.
 - b. May project into an interior side or interior rear setback; but shall be no closer than five feet to the interior side or interior rear property line.
- 6. Signs, Signage or writing of any kind is not permitted on any portion of system, other than required manufacturer plates, installer plate, and safety labeling.

The submitted design information appears to comply with these standards. Staff recommends that a note be added to the Conceptual Plan that references these standards. This will assist in reviewing the project as it moves forward.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

<u>Jann Freed</u> asked if any member of the public or the commission desired to speak on the item. No one requested to speak.

COMMISSION ACTION:

<u>Emily Webb</u> made a motion for approval of the proposed amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan subject to the provision of a note that states that any building-mounted solar panel shall comply with Section 135-2.22.4E of the Planning and Design Ordinance to the satisfaction of the Planning Administrator.

Motion passed: 11-0

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael Ludwig, AICP Planning Administrator

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Request from Plymouth Church of Des Moines (owner) represented by								File #		
Emily Tripp (officer) for property located in the vicinity of 4126 Ingersoll Avenue.							ZON2020-00107			
Description4thof Actionmc	4 th Amendment to the Plymouth Congregational Church PUD Conceptual Plan to allow roof- mounted solar panels on the church building.									
PlanDSM Future L	Current: Medium Density Residential and Community Mixed Use within a Community Node. Proposed: N/A.									
Mobilizing Tomorr Transportation Pla		No planned improvements.								
Current Zoning Dis		Plymouth Congregational Church Legacy "PUD" Planned Unit Development.								
Proposed Zoning District			N/A							
Consent Card Responses		S	In Favor		Not In Favor		Undetermined		% Opposition	
Outside Area (200			3		0					
Within Subject Property										
Plan and Zoning		۱ppro	/al	Х		Required 6/7		Yes		
Commission Action	n D	Denial				the City Coun	cil	No	I	Х

Plymouth Church of Des Moines, Vicinity of 4126 Ingersoll Avenue

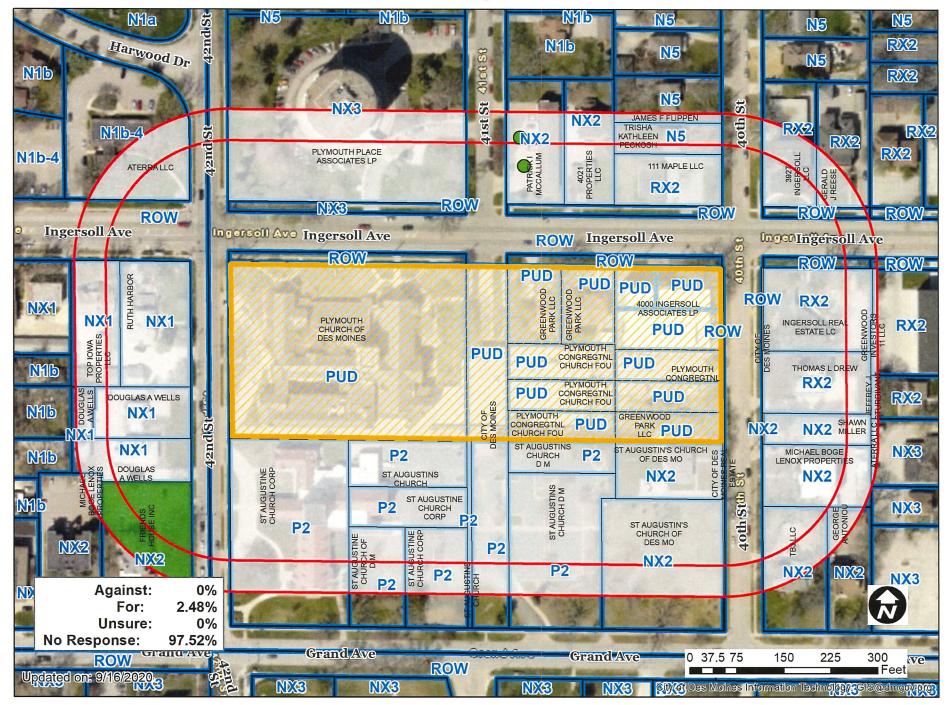
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1 inch = 148 feet

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ZON2020-0010/ 2020 Date: Item: I (am) (am not) in favor of the request: (Circle One) Print Name: Michael J. D'Keefe RECEIVED Signature: **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** SEP 1 6 2020 Address: 60 Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below: Item: <u>ZON20</u>20-00107 Date: I ((am)) (am not) in favor of the request: (Circle One) Print Name: all RECEIVED Signature: **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** Address: SEP 1 1 2020 0 Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below: Solar energy In lov to and

Part 2020-00107 - 20 Date: 9 Item: I ((am) (am not) in favor of the request: (Circle One) Print Name: Jon Krieg tor Friends. RECEIVED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Signature: Address: 4211 Grand Ave, DM 50312 SEP 1 1 2020 Reason for opposing or approving this request may be listed below: n NE G A Starting of the second

