

**Planning and Zoning Commission**  
**Thursday, September 9, 2010**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**Minutes**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Wayne Getz  
Nancy Heim  
John Schaber  
Bruce Dorman

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Bryan Holtz  
Jerel Mockenhaupt  
Brent Kemple

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Nick Koverman, City Administrator

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Wayne Schauble (City Attorney)

**ESTABLISH QUORUM/CALL TO ORDER**

Quorum was established and Nancy Heim called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

**APPROVAL of AGENDA with additions/deletions:**

Motion to approve: John Schaber  
Seconded by: Bruce Dorman  
Motion declared carried

**APPROVAL of MINUTES-June 3, 2010**

Motion to approve: Wayne Getz  
Seconded by: Bruce Dorman  
Motion declared carried

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

4a. Variance law change review. Mr. Schauble reviewed the change implemented by the MN Supreme Court that will make the variance requests difficult for petitioners. The standard of undue hardship means that the property in question cannot be put to a reasonable use...(without a variance). He highlighted the reasons for better findings and recommended the City hold steady at this point pending a legislative change in the future.

4b. Alternative Energy Ordinance. Admin. Koverman continues to compile information for the proposed ordinance.

4c. Comprehensive Plan update. Admin. Koverman updated the commission on the comprehensive plan and how he and the EDA director have been given the directive to try and finish the plan in a short manner.

Motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. by: Wayne Getz  
Seconded by: John Schaber  
Motion declared carried.