City of Worcester
Conservation Commission Meeting Agenda
Monday, June 8, 2015
Worcester City Hall, 455 Main Street, Levi Lincoln Chamber, Room 309, 3rd floor
5:30 P.M.

Call to Order – 5:30 pm

Approval of the Minutes – 4/15/2015

Requests for Continuances, Extensions of Time, Postponements, Withdrawals

Unfinished Business – Notice of Intent

   Application: Notice of Intent
   Applicant: Mark Sweeney
   Project: To construct a ~2,800 SF commercial structure to be used as a laundromat with 21 associated parking spaces, along with associated site-work, grading, and paving on property located at 730 Plantation Street and the adjacent Plantation Street Right-of-Way area.
   Jurisdiction: Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – the proposal shall occur within the 40 ft. buffer zone to a Bordering Vegetated Wetland, and Inland Bank, each associated with the City Farm Pond & Poor Farm Brook Waterbodies/Waterways and such Land Under Water, and Waterbody, and within the Stormwater Protection Zone
   Public Hearing Opened: 5/18/2015

New Business – Notices of Intent

   Application: Request to Amend an Order of Conditions (CC-2009-042)
   Applicant: Arboretum Village, LLC
   Project: To construct five single-family semi-detached (duplex) dwellings and associated off-street parking spaces along with related re-grading of the existing rock-armored slope (known as Slope A) to a 2.5H:1V vegetated slope and associated landscaping, utility, paving, drainage, and site work at properties located at 18-40 (aka lots 81-86 L&R) Bittersweet Boulevard – Arboretum Phase IV
   Jurisdiction: City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – The proposal shall occur within the Stormwater Protection Zone
   Public Hearing Opening Deadline: WPA – n/a; WWPO – 7/10/2015

Contacting the Commission
Division of Planning & Regulatory Services serves as the Commission’s staff.

- Address: City Hall, 455 Main St, Room 404, Worcester, MA 01608
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To provide credible, timely, and accessible data and analysis for decision-making and problem solving for land and programmatic development

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Upcoming Meetings
June 29, 2015
July 20, 2015
August 10, 2015
August 31, 2015
September 21, 2015 *
October 5, 2015*
October 19, 2015
November 16, 2015
December 7, 2015
*To be held at Esther Howland
New Business – Notices of Intent

3. 78 Upland Street (MBL 29-039-00034) (CC-2015-024)

Application: Notice of Intent
Applicant: Robert D. and Mary E. O'Neil
Project: To construct two multi-family low-rise dwellings with a total of 16 dwelling units and 35 associated off-street parking spaces, along with associated grading, paving, drainage, and site work on property located at 78 Upland Street.
Jurisdiction: Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – The proposal shall occur within the 100 ft. buffer to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and the Bank associated with an unnamed Intermittent Stream and within the Stormwater Protection Zone.

4. 50 Winneconnett Road (MBL 46-001-005-7) & Mohican Road Right-of-Way (from Winneconnett Road Northwesterly ~175 ft.) (CC-2015-026)

Application: Notice of Intent
Applicant: Nicholas Grande, of Real Estate Alternatives, Inc.
Project: To construct a 2,940 SF footprint multi-family low-rise dwelling with a total of four dwelling units and associated off-street parking, grading, paving, and associated site work on property located at 50 Winneconnett Road. Additionally proposed are road improvements, including site-work, grading, drainage, and paving, on property located within the Mohican Road Right-of-Way (from Winneconnett Road Northwesterly ~175 ft.).
Jurisdiction: The City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – The proposal shall occur within the Stormwater Protection Zone.
Public Hearing Opening Deadline: WPA – n/a; WWPO – 6/21/2015

5. 35 Nelson Place and portions of parcels formerly known as 21-31 Hapgood Road, and 51 Nelson Place (MBL 21-002-00002 & Part of 21-003-00013 & -00014 and 21-003-0008A & -0008B) (CC-2015-028)

Application: Notice of Intent
Applicant: The City of Worcester
Project: To demolish the existing school building and associated parking & play areas, and to construct a new, ~71,030 SF footprint, school building and driveway network and parking area, along with associated site-work, grading, drainage, and paving on property located at 35 Nelson Place, and portions of parcels formerly known as of 21-31 Hapgood Road, and 51 Nelson Place.
Jurisdiction: Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – The proposal shall occur within the 100 ft. buffer zone to a Bordering Vegetated Wetland, within the Stormwater Protection Zone, and within the vicinity of Isolated Land Subject to Flooding.

6. 1 Webster Street (MBL 08-031-00015) (CC-2015-029)

Application: Notice of Intent
Applicant: Brian Barrows, of 1-15 Webster St., LLC
Project: To demolish an existing ~6,000 SF commercial structure, along with associated site-work and grading on property located at 1 Webster Street.
Jurisdiction: Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – The proposal shall occur within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding associated with Beaver Brook, Middle River, & Curtis Pond.
New Business – Notices of Intent

7. 0 & 574 Millbury Street (MBL 31-020-00001 & 10-002-00001) (CC-2015-030)

Application: Notice of Intent
Applicant: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Project: To construct a 11,000 SF building to be used as a visitor center and the regional offices for Mass. DCR along with associated parking. Additionally proposed are a bike path and associated bike/pedestrian bridge, the restoration and preservation of the canal walls associated with Middle River and Blackstone River, remediation of contaminated soils, and related landscaping, utility, paving, grading and site work at properties located at 0 & 574 Millbury Street. The work will be done in two phases
Jurisdiction: Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act – The proposal shall occur within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and within the Bank and Riverfront Area, each associated with the Land Under Water & Waterways of Middle River and Blackstone River, as well as within the 100 ft. buffer thereto
Public Hearing Opening Deadline: WPA – 6/10/2015; WWPO – n/a


Application: Request to Amend an Order of Conditions (CC-2015-007)
Applicant: Elias Hanna, of Grafton Ishtar, LLC
Project: To construct a ~13,000 SF parking area with 18 accessory off-street parking spaces, along with associated grading, paving, drainage, and site work on the southern portion of the 24 Rockdale Street property and to make improvements to the exterior of the structure at 20 Rockdale Street property.
Jurisdiction: Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and The City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance – The proposal shall occur within the Riverfront Area, the 15-ft buffer zone to an Inland Bank, Land Under Water, and a Stream, each associated with Weasel Brook, and within the Stormwater Protection Zone

Other Business

9. Enforcement Order Updates:
   a. Arboretum Village Estates (CC-EO-2013-003)
   b. 20 & 24 Rockdale Street (CC-EO-2015-003)

10. Requests for Certificate of Compliance:
    a. 59 Webster Street (CC-2010-041)
    b. 106 Orton Street Extension (DEP #349-325)

11. Communication:
    a. Turbidity Sampling Report regarding Arboretum Village from EcoTec, Inc.; dated 5/13/2015
    b. Notice of Treatment for Little Indian Lake from Aquatic Control Technology; dated 5/27/2015

12. Donker Farm Baseline and Land Management Plan – review and endorsement

13. List of Properties owned by the Conservation Commission

14. Issuance of Orders of Conditions

15. Signing of Decisions

Adjournment