

**THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO
PUBLIC HEARING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017**

At 7:25 p.m., Mayor Jerry T. Fiala called the **Public Hearing for Proposed Text Amendments to the City of Kent Zoning Code** to Order. Roll call was taken.

PRESENT: **MR. JACK AMRHEIN, MR. MICHAEL DeLEONE, MR. GARRET FERRARA, MR. JOHN KUCHAR, MS. MELISSA LONG, MS. HEIDI SHAFFER, MR. ROGER SIDOTI, AND MR. ROBIN TURNER.**

ALSO PRESENT: **MR. JERRY T. FIALA, MAYOR AND PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL; MR. DAVE RULLER, CITY MANAGER; MR. JIM SILVER, LAW DIRECTOR; MS. BRIDGET SUSEL, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT; MR. JIM BOWLING, CITY ENGINEER; MS. MELISSA BAKER, PUBLIC SERVICE DIRECTOR; MR. DAVID COFFEE, FINANCE DIRECTOR; MR. TOM WILKE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR; FIRE CHIEF JOHN TOSKO; AND MS. TARA GRIMM, CMC, CLERK OF COUNCIL.**

ABSENT: **MS. TRACY WALLACH**

In accordance with Article XII, Section 12.05 of the Kent City Charter, notice was given on March 22, 2017, that the Kent City Council was conducting this Public Hearing to allow for public comment on proposed text amendments to the City of Kent Zoning Code:

- Chapter 1134 - R 3A: Extended High Density Residential District;
- Chapter 1135 - R-4: Multifamily Residential District;
- Chapter 1171 - Conditionally Permitted Use Regulations.

Ms. Susel explained this Public Hearing is to allow for public comments on proposed text amendments to the City of Kent Zoning Code and how on March 21, 2017 the Kent Planning Commission held a public hearing and discussed proposed changes to the Kent Codified Ordinances Sections 1134 - R-3A: Extended High Density Residential District; 1135 - R-4: Multifamily Residential District; and 1171 - Conditionally Permitted Use Regulations. The changes include shifting multifamily dwelling from a permitted use to a conditionally permitted use in the R3A and R-4 District and incorporating a condition in 1171 that adds the nearby properties not within the municipal boundary to be included when considering if the proposed project is harmonious and does not change the essential character of the area. The Planning Commission voted 5-0 to recommend to City Council to amend these zoning code sections.

Mayor Fiala asked for comments from the audience. No one wished to speak.

Hearing no further business, Mayor Fiala adjourned the Public Hearing at meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Tara Grimm, CMC
Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council