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West Fargo Planning & Zoning Commission
Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 5:30pm
West Fargo City Hall

Members Present: Joe Kolb, Lana Rakow, Mike Thorstad, Brady Woodard, Aleyna Leibfried

Members Absent: Eric Dodds, David Gust

Others Present: Aaron Nelson, Lisa Sankey, John Shockley, Chanda Erickson

Minutes Submitted by: Chanda Erickson, Office Manager

Meeting was called to order by Chair Kolb at 5:30pm.

Commissioner Rakow moved and Commissioner Leibfried seconded to approve the August 9, 2022 meeting minutes. No opposition, Motion carried.

A22-15 - Maple Ridge at the Preserve 8th Addition, a retracement plat of Lots 7 & 8, Block 1 of Maple Ridge at the Preserve 4th Addition (3060 and 3100 Sheyenne River Way), City of West Fargo, North Dakota. Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Woodard seconded to approve the application. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Kolb opened a Public Hearing - A21-16 - Zoning Ordinance Amendment to Title IV of the City Ordinances allowing for campgrounds within the A: Agricultural District, City of West Fargo, North Dakota. There was public comment.

- Michael Schommer of 620 Westwynd Drive had several points to address. He believes the fairground isn't addressing the issues or alternative options. He feels a chain link fence isn't going to help.
 - Light pollution, noise pollution in their backyards
 - Data from calls to service show an increase of calls for law enforcement
 - Negative impact to the community with increased drug trafficking and human trafficking
 - He feels the campground will be a man camp for diversion and construction workers
- Terrance Thomason of 486 Westwynd Drive has concerns over air quality and his property values. He stated there are lots of bonfires at night that brings smoke into his home.
- David Wolf of 716 Westwynd Drive has concerns with all the traffic noise. He feels that this campground is just a revenue generator for the fairgrounds with no regard to the established neighborhood.



The Public Hearing was closed. After discussion, Commissioner Woodard moved and Commissioner Thorstad seconded to approve the application with the conditions listed in the staff report. Commissioner Kolb opposed. Motion carried.

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There were no non agenda items.

Commissioner Leibfried and Commissioner Rakow seconded to adjourn. No opposition. Meeting adjourned.

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