

**ANOKA PLANNING COMMISSION
WORKSESSION MEETING
ANOKA CITY HALL
TUESDAY, May 17, 2022
5:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

The worksession meeting of the Anoka Planning Commission was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Planning Commissioners present: Chair Don Kjonaas, Karna Brewer, Borgie Bonthuis, Nancy Coleman, Shari Nemec, and Peter Rech

Planning Commissioners absent: James Cook.

Staff present: City Planner Clark Palmer and Community Development Director Doug Borglund

DISCUSSION – ZONING TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENT RELATED TO ANOKA COUNTY FACILITIES EXPANSION

City Planner Palmer reviewed background information on the proposed Anoka County jail expansion. Director Borglund said City Council directed staff to prepare a zoning text and map amendment related to the expansion of the Rum River Human Services District. Property zoned R-1 abutting the existing district is being considered for a rezoning to be included in the existing Rum River Human Services District. The R-1 property under consideration is the location of the Metro Regional Hospital, highway department maintenance facility, and possible future site for a new Anoka public works facility. Staff said currently the zoning district affecting the downtown site doesn't allow a new jail. The current jail is considered legal nonconforming. The Rum River Human Service District uses would also be amended to include jails and staff plans to prepare a definition for amending the definitions section of the Zoning Code.

Planning commissioners discussed the proposed expanded jail, where it's proposed to be constructed and other sites. The proposed amendments were discussed.

Staff said they would work on the amendments which would be coming before the Planning Commission at an upcoming meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Time of adjournment: 6:00 p.m.