

**A regular meeting of the Planning Council for the City of Bessemer
was held in the City Hall Council Chambers on
Tuesday, February 5th, 2019 at 6:00**

Osier called the meeting to order at 6:00.

Members Present: Osier, Kryshak, McDonald, Miskovich

Members Tardy: none

Members absent: Nyquist,

These members constitute a quorum

McDonald made a motion to accept the minutes and place them on file. Kryshak seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Kryshak made a motion to open the public hearing for the Capital Improvement Plan, Miskovich seconded it and it passed unanimously. There was no public comment. Kryshak made a motion to close the public hearing. McDonald seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Miskovich made a motion to open the public hearing for ordinance No. 371- Prohibit Portable Storage Containers over 100 Square feet, Kryshak seconded it and it passed unanimously. A member of the community expressed concern with the ordinance because the containers are very affordable, strong, and can be made attractive if properly maintained and painted. He stated he had purchased one. Staff Loper stated that he would be grandfathered in because the ordinance has already passed and she was made aware of his intentions in the fall. Kryshak made a motion to close the public hearing. McDonald seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Kryshak made a motion to open the public hearing for ordinance No 372 – To Amend Zoning Ordinance to Prohibit Recreational Marijuana Establishments, McDonald seconded it and it passed unanimously. There was no public comment. Kryshak made a motion to close the public hearing. Miskovich seconded it. Kryshak, Miskovich, and Osier voted to close the public hearing. McDonald voted no. It passed.

The commission discussed zoning updates recommended as part of Enabling Better Places.

The commission discussed the Capital Improvement Plan. Kryshak made a motion to pass the Capital Improvement Plan to the City Council with the Planning Commission's support. McDonald seconded it and it passed unanimously.

The commission discussed Ordinance No. 371 about prohibiting portable storage containers over 100 square feet. The commission needs more time to think about it and research it. Kryshak made a motion to table the discussion. McDonald seconded it and it passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 372 to amend zoning ordinance to prohibit recreational marijuana establishments was discussed. The commission discussed why a zoning change was necessary and the emergency adoption

clause was discussed. Kryshak made a motion to recommend the ordinance to the council. Osier seconded it. Yes: Kryshak and Osier, No: Miskovich and McDonald. It didn't pass.

During the Public Comment period, staff updated the commission on the progress with Brownfields. A member from the public asked if people could legally smoke marijuana in public. He was told no.

Miskovich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46. Kryshak seconded it and it passed unanimously