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# CITY OF WATERLOO COUNCIL <u>AGENDA</u> COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING 136 N. MONROE STREET Friday, November 3, 2017 – 12:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given to the public and news media, that a public meeting will be held to consider the following:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Plan Commission Conditional Use Permit, Jefferson County Sheriff's Department Property Located At 733 Herron Court, To Allow For Construction Of A 60' Communications Radio Tower
- 3. ADJOURNMENT

Mo Hansen Clerk/Treasurer

Posted and Emailed: 11/02/2017

PLEASE NOTE: It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above meeting(s) to gather information. No action will be taken by any governmental body other than that specifically noticed. Also, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request such services please contact the clerk's office at the above location.

### WATERLOO PLAN COMMISSION – MINUTES October 24, 2017

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER -- CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT-PROPERTY LOCATED AT 733 HERRON COURT. The Applicant, Jefferson County, Owners Of The Property Located At 733 Herron Court, Is Requesting A Conditional Use Permit To Allow For Construction Of 60' Communications Radio Tower. Mayor Thompson called the public hearing to order at 7 pm. Plan Commissioners attending: Leisses, Crosby, Springer, Butzine, Lannoy and Reynolds. Absent: Springer. Others attending: Gary Pelletier, Wes Benisch, Eric Rhynes, Sheriff Paul Milbrath, unidentified woman and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen.
- 2. HEARING. Eric Rhynes 745 Herron Court said he was not against improved emergency response, but said the community had given incentives to recruit residents and now was making one of the nicer sections less appealing. He objected to tree removal. He spoke in favor of an anti-climbing mechanism and a wooden fence. He asked if the wattage would be increased or the service improved. Sheriff Milbrath described the project as replacement of a 25 year old wooden pole with dry rot with a metal tower of the same height. He said no service improvement was involved, and the building would not be modified. The concrete tower base was described as 7.5 ft. x 7.5 ft. Milbrath proposed a 3-sided chain linked fence. Written submittals were noted. Pelletier said Lake Mills work may improve service. Crosby visited the site saying he could barely see a house from the location. In response to the Lannoy, it was said a utility easement exists to the water facility next to the 2/10th of an acre site. Milbrath said the County will likely convey the parcel to the City. Thompson said residents hadn't objected to the existing wooden pole.
- 3. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:14 pm.

## PLAN COMMISSION REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL. Mayor Thompson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Plan Commissioners attending: Leisses, Crosby, Springer, Butzine, Lannoy and Reynolds. Absent: Springer. Others attending: Eric Rhynes, Sheriff Paul Milbrath, unidentified woman and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen.
- 2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUSLY UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES. MOTION: Moved by Lannoy, seconded by Butzine to approve the July 25<sup>th</sup> and August 22, 2017 meeting minutes. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
- 3. CITIZEN INPUT. None.
- 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - a. Uniform & Effective Enforcement Of The Building & Zoning Code: Policies To Achieve Desired Outcomes. DISCUSSION: Hansen presented a memo update from the last meeting saying compliance days on the chart had been reduced and implementing the Beaver Dam model was included. He asked for Plan Commission backing to implement the action items. Hansen indicated that an ordinance change may be needed and that issuing citations for each day of violation can accomplish the task of citation amounts being ineffectively low. MOTION: Moved by Reynolds, seconded by Lannoy to direct municipal staff to implement the action steps from the memo to achieve the listed outcomes. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Leisses, Crosby, Butzine, Lannoy and Reynolds. Noes: none with Springer absent. Motion carried.

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Conditional Use Permit, Jefferson County Sheriff's Department Property Located At 733 Herron Court, To Allow For Construction Of A 60' Communications Radio Tower. DISCUSSION: It was noted that neighbors reported individuals attempting to climb on the existing structures. Lannoy said a climbing shield should be included with the tower installation. Crosby said once vegetation grows back sight lines to the tower building would be minimal. MOTION: Moved by Crosby, seconded by Lannoy to recommend to Council permit approval with the inclusion of a fence and a climbing shield. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Leisses, Crosby, Butzine, Lannoy and Reynolds. Noes: none with Springer absent. Motion carried.
- 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Considering The Following Updates: Zoning Maps, Conditional Use Forms And Comprehensive Plan Map
  - b. It was noted a quorum would be present for the November 28, 2017 meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Butzine, seconded by multiple to adjourn. Approximate time: 7:39 pm.

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Mo Hansen Clerk/Treasurer



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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER §385-29 OF THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO, JEFFERSON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Please take notice that the Plan Commission of the City of Waterloo, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, acting under provisions of Chapter §385-29 of the Zoning Code of the City of Waterloo, shall hold a public hearing on the matter of an application for a conditional use permit received from Jefferson County, owners of the property located at 733 Herron Court, Waterloo.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Department is requesting a conditional use permit to allow the construction of a 60' Communications Radio Tower. A conditional use permit is required for the installation of towers and antennas, including the placement of accessory equipment or buildings.

The property is described as follows:

Tax Parcel: #290-0813-0613-034

Legal Description: COM SE/C SE1/4 NE1/4, S88DGW 1552.83FT, S87DG59'W 456.02 FT, N01DG54'W .45FT TO POB, S88DG01'W 65.90FT, N00DG43'W 120.22FT, S74DG01'E 66.64FT, S01DG54'E 99.65FT TO POB, City of Waterloo, Jefferson County, Wisconsin

Also known as 733 Herron Court.

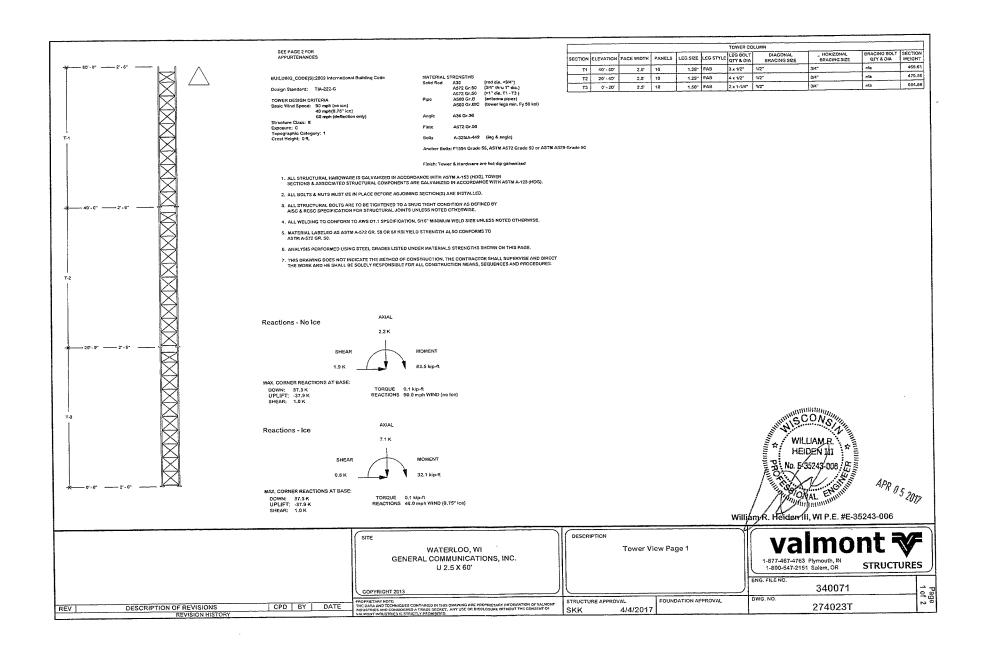
Be further notified that the Plan Commission will hear all persons interested or their agents or attorneys concerning this conditional use permit application at a public hearing. The public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building, 136 N. Monroe Street, Waterloo.

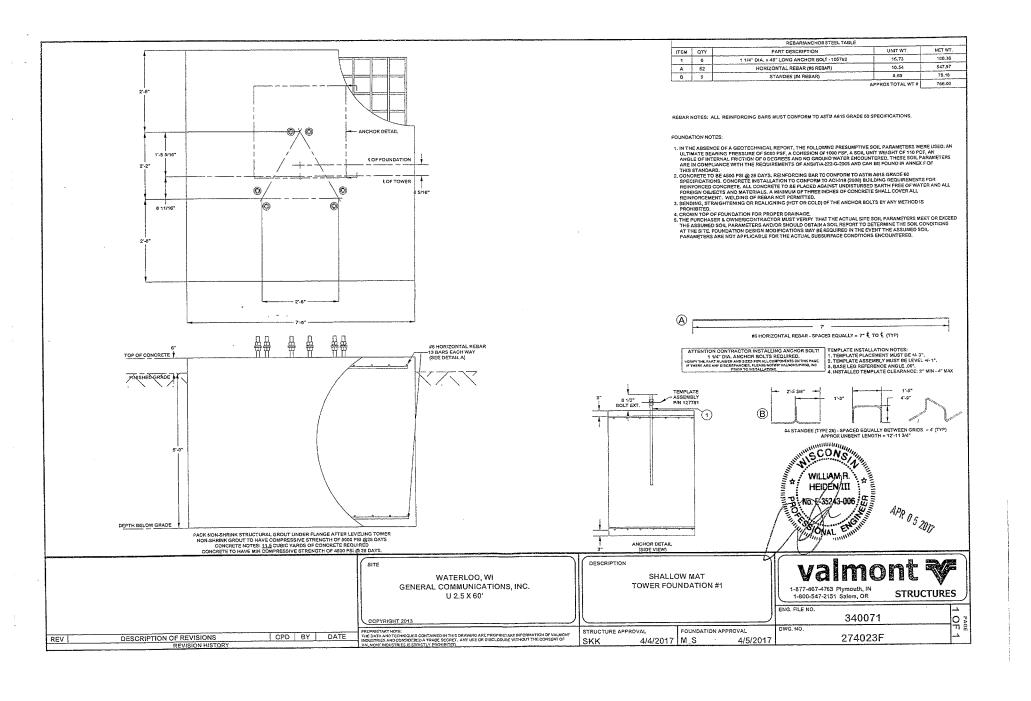
Subsequent to the public hearing, the Plan Commission shall recommend approval, denial, or conditional approval of the conditional use permit to the Common Council. The City Council will act on the Plan Commission's recommendation at its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 2, 2017.

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Morton J. Hansen City Clerk/Treasurer

Pub: The Courier: October 12, 2017





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GLONE:

October 11, 2017

Mr. Mo Hansen, Clerk/Treasurer 136 North Monroe Street Waterloo WI 53594

RE: Jefferson County Sheriff's Department-Communications Tower

Dear Mo.

Our office is in receipt of both a building permit application and plans associated with the proposed erection of a communications tower at 733 Herron Court. The tower would be erected by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department with the intent of upgrading their radio communications system on a countywide basis. The proposed tower is to replace the existing wooden telephone pole which has shown signs of advanced deterioration. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Department would have exclusive use of the proposed tower. The communications tower and ancillary equipment would be located on a parcel, approximately 2/10-acre in size adjacent to the City water tower.

The proposed tower is a 3-legged steel structure proposed to be constructed upon a concrete foundation and extend to a height of 60 feet above grade. The concrete foundation will be7'-6" square and extend down five feet. The structural calculations, as provided, indicate that proposed tower can withstand winds of up to 90 mph. Structural calculations have been sealed by a licensed Wisconsin professional engineer. A 20-foot antenna would be mounted to the top of the tower which would also provide a mounting platform for two (2) microwave dishes. Cables will be affixed to the tower legs from both the radio antenna as well as the microwave dish(s). The existing transmitter building will remain in place and continue to be utilized by the sheriff's department. The proposed steel tower is galvanized for corrosion protection and has anticipated lifecycle exceeding 30 years. The County Sheriff's Department will be responsible for maintenance of both the tower and equipment over its life span.

Mo, based upon our understanding of the project and the information as submitted by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department we recommend that the City consider approval of the communications tower subject to any conditions as set forth by the plan commission, council and building inspector.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

KUNKEL ENGINEERING GROUP

Mitch Leisses

Cc: Mr. Todd Lindner via email; Toddl@jeffersoncountywi.gov

#### Mo Hansen

From:

Eric Rhynes <ejrhynes@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, October 18, 2017 3:01 PM

To:

Mo Hansen

Subject:

Re: City of Waterloo follow-up / proposed tower

Hi Mo,

Thanks for the follow up and your patience with all of this.

Eric Rhynes

----- Original Message -----

From: "Mo Hansen" <cityhall@waterloowi.us>

To: <a href="mailto:ejrhynes@gmail.com">ejrhynes@gmail.com</a>

Sent: 10/18/2017 2:55:51 PM

Subject: City of Waterloo follow-up / proposed tower

#### Eric:

Thanks for your morning call. Here is a link to the project submittal information including project review comments from City Engineer Mitch Leisses -- <a href="https://www.dropbox.com/sh/j4tue9s8q2wc5tz/AABIZgs6120ZJEzx">https://www.dropbox.com/sh/j4tue9s8q2wc5tz/AABIZgs6120ZJEzx</a> D6M8ktja?dl=0

#### On your questions.

- 1. Flasher? No flasher. Rich Westgard from General Communications said no flasher are required or planned for the tower.
- 2. Tree removal? The tree removal decision was the property owner's decision, which is Jefferson County. I'm told that Waterloo Fire Department assisted with tree removal at the request of the County. The Fire Department is interested in improving emergency communications.
- 3. Were other sites considered? Likely no. Rich Westgard said the tower is more of an upgrade than a new system. An existing service hut exists. A small building exists adjacent to the water facility. Rich said it is likely that no other locations were considered because of the cost to move and rebuilding the technology currently within the stand alone small building.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Mo Hansen
Clerk/Treasurer
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#### Mo Hansen

From: Mo Sent: Wed

Mo Hansen <cityhall@waterloowi.us> Wednesday, October 18, 2017 4:07 PM

To: 'habraden@frontier.com'
Cc: 'pmmaccb@aol.com'

Subject: RE: Plan Commission Meeting 10/24 Conditional Use Permit 733 Herron Ct

Homer,

Confirming receipt. Your communication will be forwarded to Plan Commissioners.

-Mo

From: habraden@frontier.com [mailto:habraden@frontier.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, October 12, 2017 7:55 AM **To:** Mo Hansen <cityhall@waterloowi.us>

Cc: pmmaccb@aol.com

Subject: Plan Commission Meeting 10/24 Conditional Use Permit 733 Herron Ct

Mo,

I will be out of town on Oct 24th, and will not be able to attend the Waterloo Plan Commission Meeting for the public hearing for the Conditional Use Permit for the property know as 733 Heron Ct. requesting permission to construct a 60' radio tower and a building/garage to service the tower. Please forward this email to the Plan Commission and have it entered into the public record for the hearing and the subsequent Common Council meeting.

I am the owner of the property know as 623 W Indian Hills Drive, which is adjacent to the property where the tower and building would be constructed. I want to address several issues or concerns.

- 1. I understand the need for a radio tower for emergency services, but I would challenge the logic for placing the tower in the extreme edge of the county border. I sure a tower located further from the county border would provide much better coverage. If the County Sherriff's office demonstrates this location facilitates their ability to communicate with the surrounding counties, they should consider leasing space on top of the water tower for the radio tower instead of building a free standing tower.
- 2. If the construction of the tower and building is approved, I ask the Plan Commission to require that all the permanent structures (including any guy-wires for the tower) meet the standard required set backs from the property lines.
- 3. If the construction of the tower and building is approved, I ask the Plan Commission to require that all the property owners of 733 Herron Court financially compensate myself and the owners of 723 Herron Court for the impact on our property values. The resale value for the property at 733 Herron Court would take a significant hit if the proposed a tower is built les than 100' form their home. The resale value of my home would also be negatively impacted. Furthermore, all of the properties in the vicinity of the tower should be reassessed for lower taxes beginning with the 2018 tax year.
- 4. How will they gain access to build and maintain the tower since it is land locked?
- 5 I'm also disappointed that most of the trees on the lot have already been removed in preparation for this proposed construction prior to the public hearing. It is obvious the property owners assume they have a green light form the Plan Commission and Common Council.

Homer

TO: Waterloo Plan Commission

FROM: Jason and Kerri Meyer

735 Herron Court, Waterloo

DATE: October 19, 2017

RE: Public Hearing Scheduled for October 24, 2017

In the Matter of the Application for a Conditional Use Permit for

Property Located at 733 Herron Court, Waterloo

We have received the Notice of Public Hearing for the Conditional use Permit for the property located at 733 Herron Court, Waterloo. We would like our comments read into the minutes of the Plan Commission meeting scheduled for October 24, 2017.

Our concerns to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department request for a conditional use permit to allow the construction of a communications radio tower and/or an additional garage or accessory building to be built at 733 Herron Court.

- 1. <u>Location of Tower</u>. We understand that this property is higher than the rest of the city, but do not understand why the County of Jefferson would propose this location seeing as it is on the very edge of the County. What good will this do for them in the long run, let alone choosing a location that is a residential area. Does the City really want a tower of this height and eye sore in the City? Let alone cause the value of its properties surrounding the tower to decrease in value? We as property owners directly next to the proposed site do not appreciate the additional eye sore, nor do we appreciate the value of our property going down because of this proposal.
- 2. <u>Property Values</u>. We are very concerned what it will do to our property value, in addition to those surrounding this property. We already have the water tower next to our property, and the construction of this tower and/or building will only decrease the value of our property more and the neighboring properties surrounding the parcel of land in question. We expect the village and/or county to compensate all homeowner's surrounding this property for this decrease in value if the Plan Commission decides to allow for this tower and/or building.
- 3. Additional Traffic and Accessibility. With the tower being placed there our street and/or the street on the other side of the property in question will have additional traffic. And with the additional traffic, it also requires access to the property. Where will this accessibility be located? If this access will be from Herron Court, it means running a driveway between two homes that barely have much space between them now, including a fire hydrant placed almost directly where a driveway will need to be. And then comes

the access back to the property around the tower. Which way will that drive be taken to go around the water tower to the tower/building it is requesting building? And if the City/County intends on using the Herron Court access, will it just continue to use the space between the two houses as its drive and what will be done instead of vehicles driving over the curb and across the lawn and parts of our property?

- 4. <u>Damage to Existing Property</u>. Not only has there been vehicles driving back to the property and damaging our lawn, but upon having the property surveyed (which is another question of who paid for that??), the surveyor dug into our property without any notice to us. And yet again, no consideration for the existing home owners.
- 5. Appearance. They have already started clearing the woods for this project. How much more of the woods will we end up having to lose in order for this tower and/or building to be constructed? Who will be required to maintain this property? Will this be something that the City is taking on? And then who will be paying for that? Who will be required to pay for this upkeep, the County, City, or property owners surrounding this property?
- 6. <u>Safety</u>. What safety measures is the County planning on taking in order to ensure that people are safe with the location of this tower? We already have problems with the kids turning on the water tower and climbing the ladder up the side of the tower. We have a huge problem with there being no mention of any safety measures being put into place with this conditional use permit. Will the City or County be putting a fence into place? If yes, who will be paying for this, the property owners, the City of Waterloo or the County? If a fence it to be installed, what kind of fence are we as home owners going to have to visually see every day?

We completely do not approve of this tower being placed on this property, let alone the fact that the land was sold to the County without any public notice. This property cannot be the only property that the City of Waterloo would have available if a tower must be placed on the edge of the county. There is property on the east side of the City that would work just as well if not better. It could be placed in a location that is not surrounded by houses. There are already homeowners that (1) have the water tower as a neighbor, and (2) have power lights running through their back yards, and you want to construct a tower that will give them another thing to decrease their property value and/or decrease the value of their home if they ever intend to sell it. Just because of these, it should make completely reconsider approval of this conditional use permit. A tower of this magnitude should not be placed in this location.

The City has already shown us that they do not care about the surrounding properties next to the water tower. We called the Waterloo Utilities only to get their emergency number and not have someone call us back when the water tower was pouring out water which in turn flowed down the bank of our property and flooded our back yard. We now have ruts

in our lawn and grass that was washed away. Not only did they not at least return a calls saying that they "turned it off" at the station, but I then called the police department to get someone to tell them that the water was still pouring out of the tower. Someone from the police department come up and closed the value and put a lock on it. This, over the course of 5 hours, did the City ignore this problem. And in addition, with no thought that this would cause any damage to the properties directly next to it, have they even contacted us to rectify the damage it caused. This should tell you of the neglect that will happen if this is approved.

Why would the City do something like this to its residents that pay higher real estate taxes? If the Plan Commission plans on approving such a project we would request the following:

- (1) Lowered real estate taxes being assessed to the affected surrounding property owners (retroactive back to the date that this project was first considered);
  - (2) Compensation for our property values going down; and
- (3) A residential looking fence (not a chain link fence) to be placed surrounding the entire property.