

MINUTES OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE
Thursday, March 25, 2021 - 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Baker, DeJoy, Grill, Hood, Reilly, Syed, and Taghioff
EXCUSED: Rangel Morales
STAFF: Bill Dermody, Samantha Langer, Allan Torstenson, and Peter Warner

The meeting was chaired by Commissioner Baker. He stated that the chair of the Planning Commission had determined that due to the COVID-19 pandemic it is neither practical nor prudent for the Zoning Committee to meet in person, and therefore the meeting was being conducted remotely, with all members of the Zoning Committee attending the meeting remotely. The public is also able to join the meeting remotely and can speak during the public hearing portion or submit comments by noon on the day before the meeting.

554 Broadway Rezoning - 21-241-868 - Rezone from I1 light industrial to B5 central business-service district, 554 Broadway Street, between Spruce Street and Balsam Street

Bill Dermody presented the staff report with a recommendation of approval for the rezoning. He stated District 4 made no recommendation, and there were no letters in support or opposition.

Willy Boulay, 1959 Sloan Place, Saint Paul, said they are an affordable housing developer working on this project. They are planning for a work force housing community at multiple levels of affordability.

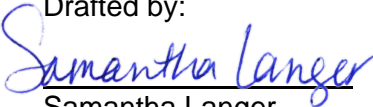
In response to Commissioner Baker, Mr. Boulay briefly explained what they are planning for the site. He said it will be about a six story building oriented towards downtown. It will be a U-shaped building so tenants could get views of downtown. They are planning for 130 units mostly two and three-bedrooms to support family housing that is needed in Saint Paul. In working with the Housing Department they are working with a mix of housing options to provide units for families between 30% and 80% of AMI. A hundred percent of the building would be affordable at those different housing option levels.

No one spoke in support or opposition. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Reilly moved approval of the Rezoning. Commissioner Hood seconded the motion.

The motion passed by a vote of 7-0-0.

Adopted Yeas - 7 Nays - 0 Abstained - 0

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Recording Secretary

Submitted by:

Bill Dermody (Apr 9, 2021 13:55 CDT)
Bill Dermody
City Planner

Approved by:

Cedrick Baker (Apr 9, 2021 15:04 CDT)
Cedrick Baker
Chair









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