

**MINUTES OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, December 7, 2017 - 3:30 p.m.**  
**City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor**  
**City Hall and Court House**  
**15 West Kellogg Boulevard**

PRESENT: Baker, DeJoy, Eckman, Edgerton, Fredson, Lindeke, and Ochs  
EXCUSED: Reveal  
STAFF: Josh Williams, Cherie Englund, and Allan Torstenson

The meeting was chaired by Commissioner Edgerton.

**CP Railway Radio Shop - 17-215-822 - Conditional use permit for elevation of a building on piles rather than fill to be above the regulatory flood protection elevation at 1000 Shop Road.**

Josh Williams presented the staff report with a recommendation of approval for the conditional use permit with conditions. He stated District 1 made no recommendation, and there were no letters in support or in opposition.

In response to a question from by Chair Edgerton, Mr. Williams said the building will be elevated on fill within the foundation walls and the walls will be anchored to piles.

Chair Edgerton asked if there will be a timeframe for materials to be removed by in the event of a flood added to the updated flood response plan. Mr. Williams said that CP Railway has a flood response plan and that names the responsible parties, specifies how they measure predicted flooding, what actions they will take, which would encompass removing any materials, equipment, and disconnecting utilities. He noted that the flood response plan is kept on file by the City's Flood Plain Manager, Wes Saunders-Pearce, at the Department of Safety and Inspections.

Commissioner Eckman asked for a definition in the St. Paul Flood Mechanical Plan, under Flood Alert Level 2 – Warning, #5. Mr. Williams deferred this question to the applicant.

The applicant, Patrick Mooney, 396 Linda Ave., Lino Lakes said the need for this new building was brought about by a federal mandate called Positive Train Control (PTC). He said they have 6 radio shop employees and they are out of room due to the added workload for PTC. In response to Commissioner Eckman's question, Mr. Mooney said that the term mechanical is the fixing of locomotives and to divert B/O means bad orders which are broken engines or scheduled units away from Saint Paul.

Commissioner Eckman asked for clarification under Flood Alert Level 4 – Recovery, #2 and #7. Mr. Mooney said in reference to #2, a unit is another railroad term for a locomotive engine and a diesel shop is a workshop where they fix the engines and this would refer to cleaning of these pits after a flood. Commissioner Eckman asked if fuel is stored on site, and Mr. Mooney responded that it is not.

Commissioner DeJoy asked if they are able to meet all of the conditions. Mr. Mooney said yes.

No one spoke in favor or opposition and the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner DeJoy moved approval of the conditional use permit with conditions.  
Commissioner Eckman seconded the motion.

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

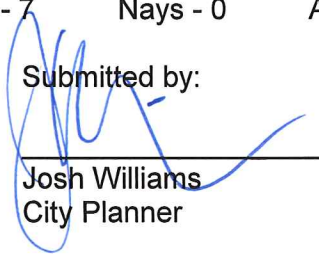
Adopted                      Yeas - 7                      Nays - 0                      Abstained - 0

Drafted by:



Cherie Englund  
Recording Secretary

Submitted by:



Josh Williams  
City Planner

Approved by:



Dan Edgerton  
Chair