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**Minutes  
City of Burlington Plan Commission  
Police Dept. Courtroom  
September 10, 2013, 6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Robert Miller called the Plan Commission meeting to order this Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Roll call: Alderman Ruth Dawidziak; Commissioners Darrel Eisenhardt and Chris Reesman were present. Alderman Tom Vos Commissioner Michael Deans was excused. Commissioner John Lynch and Town of Burlington Representative Phil Peterson were absent. Also present was City Administrator Kevin Lahner, and Zoning Administrator Patrick Scherrer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Alderman Dawidziak moved and Commissioner Reesman seconded to approve the minutes of August 13, 2013. All were in favor, and the motion carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

**LETTERS & COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Consideration to approve a Site Plan from Richard Hendrickson of Burlington Fireplace and Solar for property located at 857 Milwaukee Avenue.**

- Mayor Miller opened this item for discussion.
- Commissioner Eisenhardt questioned if the solar array was for advertising or functional purposes. Richard Hendrickson, owner, stated it will be for functional purposes to reduce the electrical costs with his business.
- Alderman Dawidziak questioned if the size of the solar array will cause a negative impact with the view for the guests in the outdoor seating area at the restaurant across the street. Mayor Miller stated only a small portion of the array would be visible from the restaurant and the view shouldn't be a problem.

- Commissioner Eisenhardt questioned if there would be a glare problem for drivers on Milwaukee Avenue. Mr. Hendrickson stated the solar array will be at a forty-three degree angle facing south, where the panels would be barely visible. He further stated the panels are a deep black color and didn't think glare would be an issue. Mayor Miller stated if glare became a problem it would need to be addressed immediately. Mr. Hendrickson agreed he would address any future issues if they arose.
- There were no further comments.

Commissioner Eisenhardt moved and Commissioner Reesman seconded to recommend approval of a Site Plan at 857 Milwaukee Avenue, subject to Patrick Meehan's August 30, 2013 and Kapur & Associates' September 3, 2013 memorandums to the Plan Commission as follows:

- Any proposed architectural plans need to be reviewed by the City Building Inspector for compliance with all applicable Building Codes.
- Consideration may need to be addressed for any reflective glare that may affect drivers heading North Bound on Milwaukee Avenue as the panels are only a few feet off the ground.

*All in were in favor, and motion carried.*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Dawidziak moved and Commissioner Reesman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. *All were in favor, and the motion carried.*

Recording Secretary  
Megan E. Watkins  
Director of Administrative Services