MISC NO. 6 APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO PLANNING COMMISSION BY-LAWS

Receive and approve Planning Commission By-Law amendments.

STAFF PRESENTATION
Mr. McCullough presented the item.

PUBLIC HEARING
No public comment.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION
Commissioner Paden said the Transportation Commission had the same 3 and 5 minute public comment period. She wondered if Transportation Commission may need to update their bylaws too.

Mr. McCullough said there were inherent issues with distinguishing between individual and group testimony.

Mr. Larkin said the City Attorney's office was recommending not to distinguish between different speakers.

Commissioner Willey said there was an inherent benefit for the public to talk to each other and coordinate their efforts when providing their testimony. She said she would also be in favor of holding the applicant's response to 5 minutes.

Commissioner Sands said it wasn't a long leap for a group of folks to coordinate their efforts to speak. He wondered if there should be an exception to extend the time for groups such as the school board or hospital board.

Commissioner Culver said written communication was an option for lengthy details.

Mr. McCullough said Planning Commission could use their discretion with items that weren't quasi-judicial.

Commissioner Kelly suggested maybe restricting the number of speakers the applicant has.

Commissioner Culver felt it was necessary when different speakers for the applicant provide different expertise.

Mr. McCullough said it may be helpful for the Chair to provide time limit reminders throughout the meeting.

Commissioner Sands said he agreed with the time limits as amended.

Commissioner Sinclair asked if the attendance language pertained to Mid-Month meetings or regular Planning Commission meetings.

Mr. McCullough said the intent was regular Planning Commission meetings.

Commissioner Willey said the language in the bylaws should probably specify.

ACTION TAKEN
Motioned by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Sands, to approve the Planning Commission bylaw amendments with the addition of language to Article III, Section 6 Attendance, of regular business meetings, and forwarding to City Commission and the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

Unanimously approved 9-0.

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