Chair Hutson called the Regular meeting of the Troy City Planning Commission to order at 7:30 p.m. on October 11, 2011 in the Council Chamber of the Troy City Hall.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Donald Edmunds
Michael W. Hutson
Tom Krent
Mark Maxwell
Philip Sanzica
Robert Schultz
Thomas Strat
John J. Tagle
Lon M. Ullmann

Also Present:
R. Brent Savidant, Planning Director
Paul Evans, Zoning & Compliance Specialist
Allan Motzny, Assistant City Attorney

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution # PC-2011-10-058
Moved by: Schultz
Seconded by: Strat

RESOLVED, To approve the Agenda as prepared.

Yes: All present (9)

MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution # PC-2011-10-059
Moved by: Edmunds
Seconded by: Tagle

RESOLVED, To approve the minutes of the September 13, 2011 Regular meeting as prepared.

Yes: All present (9)

MOTION CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Items not on the Agenda

There was no one present who wished to speak.

5. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (ZBA) REPORT

6. DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DDA) REPORT

7. PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT

NEW BUSINESS

8. CHAPTER 85 - SIGNS – Discuss Document

There was general Planning Commission discussion on Chapter 85 Signs.

OTHER BUSINESS

9. PLANNING COMMISSION COMPENSATION

Resolution # PC-2011-10-060
Moved by: Schultz
Seconded by: Sanzica

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission understands the gravity of the city's revenue shortfall due to the current economic situation and the resulting decline of property values in the city. The Planning Commission fully supports the actions of City Council, City Management and all City Employees in their commitment to proactively address this difficult situation; and,

WHEREAS, Be it known that in an effort to control costs the Planning Commission has reduced its meeting schedule from three (3) meetings per month to two (2) meetings per month. This action eliminated one third of the overhead costs associated with Planning Commission operations. These costs included, but are not limited to, staff time of the Planning Department, City Attorney's Office, Building Services and Community Affairs, consultant services, as well as Planning Commissioner remuneration. Additionally, the Commission's education, Publication and Travel budget has been reduced by 70%; and,

WHEREAS, It is public knowledge that every employee in the city has taken a minimum of a 10% reduction in compensation. The members of the Planning Commission wish to publicly thank each and every employee for the sacrifices they have made in order to assist in the elimination of the city's revenue shortfall; and,

WHEREAS, It is the consensus of this Commission that any and all compensated elected officials, board or commission members should make those same sacrifices, not because the result will have a major impact upon the city's budget, but because it is simply the right thing to do.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Planning Commission requests that City Council reduce our per meeting remuneration by 10% effective immediately.

Yes: All present (9)

MOTION PASSED

10. PUBLIC COMMENT – Items on Current Agenda

11. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

The Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael W. Hutson, Chair

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R. Brent Savidant, Planning Director

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