CITY OF SALEM PLANNING BOARD

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2016

The regular meeting of the Planning Board of the City of Salem was called to order by James Dickerson in the Municipal Building, One New Market St., at 6:30 PM. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reading of The Open Public Meeting Act: Notice of the regular meetings of the Planning Board of the City of Salem as required by Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, “Open Public Meetings Act” has been provided by the Public advertisement of a schedule adopted by Resolution on January 21, 2016 setting forth the time, date and place of all regular meetings of the City of Salem.

**Roll call**:

**Members present were**: James Smith, Cathy Lanard, James Dickerson, Robert Lanard and William Sumiel participated by speaker phone.

**Members absent were**: Mayor Charles Washington Jr., Earl Gage, Benjamin Ford, LaWanda Johnson, John Pankok and Ezell Barnes

**Staff present was**: Edgar Hathaway – Solicitor, Uzo Ahiarakwe – Planner, Carol Wright – Secretary.

It was moved and seconded by Robert Lanard and James Smith to approve the meeting minutes of March 17, 2016. All were in favor.

**Application #16-005- 49 W. Broadway – Mohamed Alharbi – 49 Deli**

Edgar Hathaway Esq. informed the applicant that the board did not have a quorum and would it be ok to have a member participate by phone. Applicant agreed it would be ok. William Sumiel participated via speaker phone. Mohamed Alharbi and Antar Nagi were sworn in. Mr. Nagi stated he will translate if needed. Mr. Alharbi stated he has three employees. There will be no changes to the exterior of the building. He is buying from the existing owner. He will sell deli products, beverages and hot foods.

Antar Nagi stated the hours of operation will be 7:00 am until 11:00 pm. He will sell cigarettes and groceries. He will not be selling lottery tickets at this time.

It was moved and seconded by Robert Lanard and Cathy Lanard to approve the Business License. Roll call vote carried.

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|  | FOR | AGAINST | ABSTAINED | ABSENT |
| Mayor Charles Washington |  |  |  | X |
| James Smith | X |  |  |  |
| Earl Gage |  |  |  | X |
| Cathy Lanard | X |  |  |  |
| James Dickerson | X |  |  |  |
| Benjamin Ford |  |  |  | X |
| William Sumiel | X |  |  |  |
| John Pankok |  |  |  | X |
| Robert Lanard | X |  |  |  |
| LaWanda Johnson |  |  |  | X |
| Ezell Barnes |  |  |  | X |

It was moved and seconded by Cathy Lanard and Robert Lanard to memorialize Resolution #16-010 for Application #16-003 - 175 W. Broadway for the Art Gallery. All were in favor.

It was moved and seconded by James Smith and Robert Lanard to memorialize Resolution #16-011 for Application #16-004 – 159 W. Broadway for Boost Mobile. All were in favor.

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 Carol E. Wright