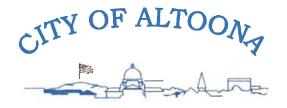
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ALTOONA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

The Altoona City Planning Commission, created in March 1916, is composed of seven residents appointed by the Mayor with the approval of City Council. The Commission is responsible for developing and updating the Comprehensive Plan, reviewing proposals that affect the development of the City, and providing a public forum that encourages participation in guiding the future of the City.

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 3:00 PM 4th Floor City Hall Common Room

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENT

REGULAR BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> – The Commission will consider the approval of minutes from its previous meeting of October 7, 2025 which is included in the packet.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

None

STAFF LEVEL REVIEWS

- a) Jack E & Shirley A Sandrus 523 56th Street Minor Subdivision Plan Under Review
- b) Samantha Holliday & Michael Geishauser 2909 4th St Minor SD Plan Under Review
- c) City of Altoona 1631 Kiesel Ave & 1630 18th Ave Minor SD Plan Approved
- d) City of Altoona 301 E Cherry Ave Minor SD Plan Approved

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- GAEDC Report –
- 2. Blair County Planning Commission Report

COMMISSIONER FORUM

QUESTIONS FROM MEDIA

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES ALTOONA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION October 7, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dave Albright, Chairman Larry Bilotto, Vice-Chairman Michael Haire, Secretary Drew Brennan Peter Folen Councilman Jesse Ickes Richard Haines

GUESTS PRESENT

Adam Long – Keller Engineers Bill Kibler – Altoona Mirror

STAFF PRESENT

Chris McGuire – Altoona City Manager
Diana White – Deputy Director, Community Development Department
Sabrina Appel-McMillen – Planning and Development Manager, Community
Development Department
Rob Crossman – Engineering Department Supervisor
Bette Fischer – Clerical III, Community Development Department
Rebecca Brown – Director Codes and Inspections
Mackenzie Caron – Regional Planner, Blair County Planning

CALL TO ORDER

The Altoona City Planning Commission (ACPC) held its regular meeting on October 7, 2025, in the Common Room of Altoona City Hall, 1301 12th Street, Altoona, PA. Chairman David Albright called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REGULAR BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Bilotto to approve the September 2, 2025 minutes. Mr. Folen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Benzel's Warehouse Expansion 2 - 5200 6th Avenue. On 6/27//2025 the City of Altoona received a land development plan proposing to construct a 24,215 SF addition to the existing Benzel warehouse. The ACPC previously approved this plan pursuant to Resolution No. 9-2-25-PAC25-04 dated September 2, 2025. No changes to the approved plan are being proposed, however, one waiver is being requested. A recommended revised resolution for approval is requested.

Mr. Bilotto made the motion to approve the revised resolution as presented.

Mr. Brennan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Five Star Mitsubishi – 1200 Logan Blvd</u>. On 9/5/2025 the City of Altoona received a land development plan proposing to pave an existing gravel parking lot for vehicle storage. Three waivers are being requested. Adam Long of Keller Engineers presented the plan along with the waiver requests for the parking improvements. <u>Councilman Ickes made the motion to approve the proposed plan as presented. Mr. Brennan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.</u>

STAFF LEVEL REVIEWS

Ms. Appel-McMillen presented the Staff Level Reviews that were received since the September 2, 2025 meeting.

- a) Fairway Drive LP (611 MRI) 2950 Fairway Dr Low Impact LD Plan Under Review
- b) Michael Bianoni 1925 N. 7th Ave No Impact SD Plan Approved
- c) The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown No Impact SD Plan Approved/Recorded

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. GAEDC Report – Ms. White and Mr. Bilotto both attended the meeting on September 24, 2025, and updated the board. The Clay Cup has expressed interest in funding for upper-level façade painting under the Façade Rehabilitation Program. The Kress Building is complete and a ribbon cutting is scheduled for October 9, 2025. The wall mural on the Railroad Retirement Building dedication would occur after the planning commission meeting on October 7, 2025. The Penn Central Building has entered Phase I of renovation (clean-out). The Jaffa Shrine/Mosque was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on August 15, 2025. The Shrine is now working toward receiving a 501(c) 3 non-profit federal tax-exempt status for a subsidiary dedicated only to maintaining and renovating the building. This status will make donations for that purpose tax-deductible. The Shrine would like to hire an architect to create a renovation plan to guide upgrades and assist with fundraising. Desired improvements include an updated sound system, air conditioning, new seating, and window restoration. The Shrine provides a mid-size regional event venue

and the upgrades would meet the needs of modern acts and allow year-round use for large-draw events.

- 2. Blair County Planning Commission Report Ms. Caron reported that the PA Local Share Grant application window opened on September 1, 2025, and will remain open until November 30, 2025. PennDOT is holding a conference in Bellwood on October 8, 2025, to talk about sites along the I-99 corridor that would be suitable for truck parking. The state would like to add 1,200 new truck parking sites in the state to make it safer for truck drivers to pull over and rest. One of the sites that is being considered is the Rt. 865 Bellwood on-ramp to I-99.
- 3. COMMISSIONERS FORUM None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:22 PM.
Signed: Michael Haire Secretary



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- PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION:
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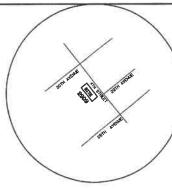
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Surveyor: RODNEY D. ECKARD PLS



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RECORDER

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- PROPERTY OWNER INTORMATION: TM 1.11-3 PARCELS (3 & 4 \$ 5) SAMANTHA HOLLIDAY & MICHAEL GEISHAUSER 2809 4TH AVENUE, ALTOONA PA., 16601 INSTRE 201601497
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- 4. REF. SURVEY BY RONALD STAUFFER PLS.RECORDED IN BLAIR CO., COURT HOUSE DB 1108/333.
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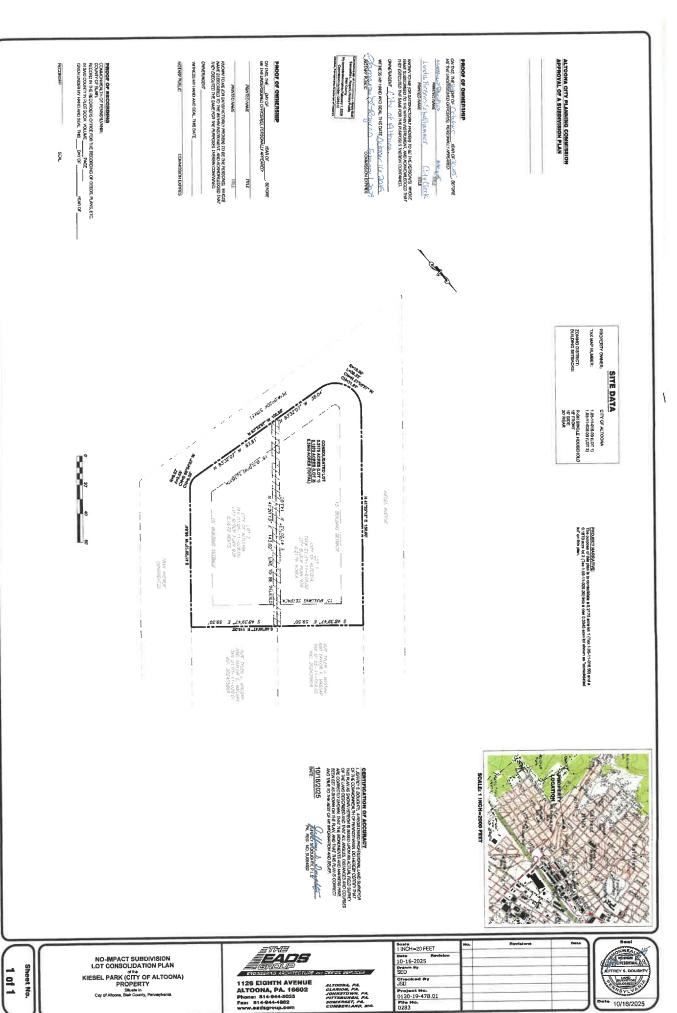
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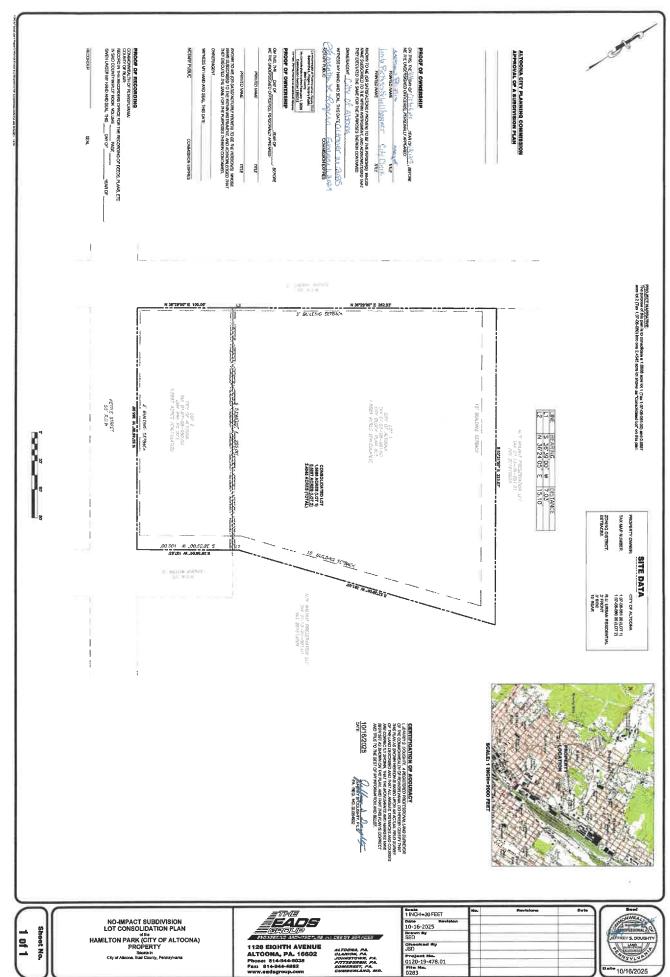
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