Regular Minutes of the Ashland City Planning Commission August 6, 2007

The Ashland City Planning Commission met in regular session on August 6, 2007 At 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Chairman Joe Macha called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

Commissioners present: Ed Nichols, Hadley Williams, Yvonne Stinnett, Dwayne Noe, Joe Macha, Gary Norwood and Jim Yates.

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Michael Armstrong, Franklin Wilkinson, Sharon Caton, John Rankin

Macha requested a motion to approve the minutes from July 2, 2007. A motion was made by Noe and 2nd by Williams to approve the minutes as typed. Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Public Forum: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Land Use Plan, Selection of Members, Survey-Issues & Opportunities.

Sharon Caton addressed the council referencing a three page document handout "Issues & Opportunities". She requested that the Commission complete the form using yes and no answers and turn into the Codes Department within the next week. Sharon requested the Commission appoint a Land Use Committee. Usually there will be four meetings at such times technical expertise will be brought in for advisement to the committee. Ed Nichols asked if we have defined the scope of the Land Use Committee. Are we considering members that are not residents of Ashland City requesting action from the City Council and are we looking at the "big picture" regarding decisions forwarded to the City Council such as water, sewer, traffic, schools, subdivisions, law enforcement, emergency services, etc.? Sharon explained the member mix on the committee can be a mix of Planning Commission members, City Council members and City Department Heads. Members should be residents of Ashland City. Information form the Land Use Committee will be shared with the City Council and Cheatham County and other cites and become a component of Ashland City's growth plan. After addressing Issues & Opportunities the committee will address development patterns and trends. Next will be, how do you determine Land Use? The Land Use Plan will be a guiding document. The City Council will have the final decision on Land Use members. City Council and Planning Commission members deal with land use issues every day as do technical experts in specific areas. Macha requested to receive three models of committee member

makeup from the Planning Office in an email format. Stinnett requested the Planning Commission members meet at the next City Council workshop to approach the Council about Land Use and selection of members. After further discussion it was determined that the Planning Commission members would attend the next City Council meeting.

Other: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Williams and 2nd by Stinnett.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Chairman Joe Macha