

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
PLANNING COMMISSION WORK STUDY MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2013**

Chairperson Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Present: Johnson, Boynton, Kelley, Budd, Guenther and Thompson. Excused: Budd. Staff Present: Interim Director Arthur Mullen and Secretary Harman. McKenna Associate present: Sally Hodges. There were 7 people in the audience.

ITEM #1:

Commission members discussed potential amendments to the zoning ordinance section 4.40 Landscaping with recommendations from Sally Hodges of McKenna Associates. Hodges will make the revisions discussed and bring the changes to the next meeting.

ITEM #2:

Commission members discussed potential housekeeping modifications to sections of the zoning ordinance covering: Industrial parking standards, drive-through uses, banks and gas stations along with recommendations from Sally Hodges of McKenna Associates. Hodges will make the revisions discussed and bring the changes to the next meeting.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Resident asked for a copy of the landscape documents discussed and inquired about the setback requirements for a landscape wall between business and residential properties.

Resident inquired if the Planning Commission and DDA would work with MDOT to make sure that trees are replaced along the Ecorse Road Corridor. Interim Director Mullen will speak with the DDA Director.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Harman,
Recording Secretary