

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF POSTVILLE, IOWA  
October 18, 2021

1. A special meeting of the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission of Postville, Iowa, was held in the Council Chambers at 147 N. Lawler St. on October 18, 2021, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Rekow presiding.
2. On call of the roll, the following Council Members were present: Donald Miller, Mary Engstrom and Larry Moore. Absent: Ross Malcom and Zev Frimerman. \* Frimerman arrived at 6:01 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission present: Raul Martinez, Leslie Martinez, Bob Schroeder, Richard Helgerson. Absent: David Schierholz and Brandon Sebastian.
3. Council Member Moore approved the **agenda** as posted by the Clerk. Seconded by Engstrom. Carried 4:0.
4. Discussion was held on the City **Zoning Ordinances** regarding churches or places of worship in Commercial Zoning Districts. Business owner and Chamber representative Christina Drahos commented on tax revenue loss, parking issues, business sales/revenue and inquires on new business space in the commercial district. Also address concerns if the property would go back to retail. After much discussion it was the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission to revise the ordinance to not allow churches or places of worship in the C-1 or C-2 Zoning district with no appeal process it is simply not allowed. However, allow the purpose in the R-2 Districts with no special exception needed as long as parking requirements are met. Council Member Moore made a motion to direct the City Attorney to draft the ordinance to not allow Churches or places of worship in the C-1 or C-2 Districts no appeal, simply not allowed and allow the purpose in the R-2 district. Seconded by Engstrom. Carried 4:0. The Ordinance will be acted on the November 8, 2021 Council meeting.

There being no further business on the agenda to come before the Council, Council Member Moore made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Miller. Carried unanimously. Adjournment 6:52 p.m.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

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