

September 14, 2016
Public Hearing
City of Gaston

Council: Mayor **Hall**, Council President Richard **Sager**, Chris **Jeffries**, David **Meeker**, Don **Richter**, and Jerry **Spaulding**. City Recorder Wenonah **Blanchette**, City Attorney Ruben **Cleaveland**, City Clerk Sharon **Bregante-Candau**, Carole **Connell**, Consulting City Planner Carole **Connell**, and others present are represented on the sign-up sheet. (attached)
Absent: Councilor Rod **Hale**-(*unexcused*).

PUBLIC HEARING:

PA 16-01 Amendment to the Fence and Flood Regulations

Mayor Tony **Hall** called the public hearing to order at 7:00 PM and read the conduct of hearing format into the record.

STAFF REPORT: Carole **Connell**, Consulting City Planner, presented a summarized Staff report regarding the three pages of recommendations for the update for FEMA FIRM Map reference and regulations. Also included is an amendment in Section 152.207.03 to add in the list of allowable fence materials: *Vinyl*. The fence material is a minor addition to the code and is not necessary to apply the Gaston Comprehensive Plan goals and policies. Flood regulation amendments are mandatory. To be in compliance with Flood Hazard Management provisions, Washington County requires all jurisdictions to update their FEMA and FIRM map regulations by November 2016. Without these updates, participation from the National Flood Insurance Program will not be available and property owners in the floodplain will not be able to purchase insurance or receive federal disaster assistance in the event of a flood.

Staff recommended approval of the amendments based on staff findings and prepare an ordinance to adopt.

PROPOSERS – None

OPPOSERS– None

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS –None

CLOSE HEARING: Mayor **Hall** confirmed there was no further comment and closed the hearing.

DELIBERATION: Motion was made by Councilor **Meeker** and seconded by Councilor **Spaulding** to “approve the amendments based on Staff Report Findings and direct staff to prepare an ordinance to adopt amendments.” Motion passed with aye votes heard from **Jeffries, Meeker, Hall, Richter, Spaulding** and **Sager**. Nay: 0.

Mayor **Hall** Closed the Public Hearing at 7:18PM.

Mayor Tony Hall

Attest:

City Recorder Wenonah Blanchette