Planning Commission

Regular Meeting
September 8, 2026 – 7:00 P.M.
Simsbury Town Hall – Main Meeting Room
933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Leavitt-Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Present: Chair, Erin Leavitt-Smith; Vice Chair, William Rice; Commission Members: Holly Beum, Nicholas Criscitelli, and Marcus Furze; Alternate Commission Members Don Colantonio and Peter Harrison; Assistant Town Planner, Brittany MacGilpin and Planning Director, George McGregor.

Absent: Commissioner Member Julie Eaton; Alternate Commission Member Paul S. Sullivan.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 25, 2026, Regular Meeting

MOTION: Commissioner Beum made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Rice, to approve the Minutes of August 25, 2026, Regular Meeting as amended. The motion carried unanimously (6-0-0).

III. GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS

Referral from Zoning Commission

ZC #26-24, Town of Simsbury Zoning Commission, Applicant, Brittany MacGilpin, Agent, for a text amendment to Simsbury Zoning Regulations pursuant to Section 6 (Floodplain Zone) and Section 17 (Definitions) related to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Map Update.

Assistant Town Planner MacGilpin provided a summary presentation on the proposed changes to the Floodplain Zone regulations, pursuant to the FEMA directed Map amendments anticipated in late 2026.

MOTION: Commissioner Beum made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Rice, for the Planning Commission to forward a POSITIVE recommendation to the Zoning Commission for **ZC 26-24**, a Text Amendment application to Simsbury Zoning Regulations pursuant to Section 6 (Floodplain Zone) and Section 17 (Definitions) related to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Map Update Study based upon a finding that the request is consistent with the environmental policies found in the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), which seeks to *"Preserve and protect watercourses, wetlands, and floodplains and their functions."* (POCD Chapter 4 pg. 38). The motion carried unanimously (6-0-0)

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

FY 27/28 Budget Discussion: Projects

Ms. MacGilpin and Mr. McGregor led a discussion of potential FY27/28 Budget priorities based on the Tariffville Neighborhood Plan recommendations.

The Commission recommended the following items be consider by the Board of Selectmen as part of the upcoming budget process:

- Tariffville Traffic/Pedestrian Data Gathering
- Village Wayfinding and Signage
- Town Web Page Enhancement for Tariffville

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Chair Leavitt-Smith made a motion, without objection, to adjourn the meeting (6-0-0).

Chair Leavitt-Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

George K. McGregor, AICP
Planning & Community Development Director