



**Eldridge Planning and Zoning Commission  
May 15, 2025, 6:00 p.m., Eldridge City Hall**

**Minutes**

The Eldridge Planning and Zoning Commission met in open session in Eldridge City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on May 15, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Karl Donaubauer. Present were Karl Donaubauer, Dean Ferguson, Mike Martin, Brad Merrick, Jennifer Vittorio and Scott LaPlante. Also present were Brian Dockery, Jeff Martens, Rob White, Brad Burt, Marty O'Boyle, Riley Plymale and Taylor Vondal.

The minutes from the April 17, 2025, meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Martin to approve the minutes as presented. LaPlante seconded. Motion carried 6-0 by voice vote.

Donaubauer reviewed ground rules for the public hearing and opened it at 6:02 p.m. He asked Martens to present the staff review of the request to change the Comprehensive Plan Future Use Map designation for Parcel Numbers 931155307, 931155308—5 and 931155601 from Light Industrial to Commercial. Martens stated that today's request was pertaining to the two northernmost parcels. He let the commission know that one of those parcels was already zoned C-3 Commercial as well as the parcel that Casey's was located on to the south. Martens said that the staff recommendation would be to change all three parcels so the commercial area on the map was connected and reflected the changes that had already been made in zoning. He went on to present the final plat request and rezoning request since all three items on the agenda pertained to one project. Martens explained that Brad Burt and Rob White intended to build a tunnel car wash on the replatted parcel. He said both parties had signed the application and then reviewed the easements on the final plat with the Commission. Martens said that the staff recommendation was to approve the request, and they thought it was a good use of the property and a car wash is a permitted use in the C-3 Commercial District.

Rob White said that they had also wondered what they would do with this property and when Burt came to him with this idea, he thought it would be good for the community. Burt said that he owned Aqua-Tech Car Wash and has another location in Eldridge and one in Davenport. He thinks this is a good use for this space. Martin asked if this would contribute to local option sales taxes and Burt said it would. Merrick asked about water usage and Burt explained his locations, including this one if approved, use recycling systems that are very efficient.

Marty O'Boyle spoke in support of the project. Brian Dockery said as a citizen he is also in favor of the project.

No one spoke in opposition. Donaubauer closed the public hearing at 6:15 p.m.

The commission voiced general support for the project. Martin asked if a sidewalk would be included and Martens said that the City did request it be included and was listed in a note on the plat. White shared that it was his opinion that sidewalks enticed pedestrian traffic in industrial areas and he thought that it wasn't a safe area to walk with fork lifts and other industrial vehicles in use.

Ferguson made a motion to recommend changing the Comprehensive Land Use Map designation for Parcel Numbers 931155307, 931155308—5 and 931155601 from Light Industrial to Commercial. Martin seconded. Roll call votes all ayes. Motion carried.

Merrick made a motion to recommend approval of the Final Plat Application of Aqua Tech First Addition. LaPlante seconded the motion. Roll call votes all ayes. Motion carried.

Martin made a motion to recommend approval of the Rezoning Application of Aqua Tech First Addition from I-2 General Industrial to C-3 General Commercial District. Ferguson seconded. Roll call vote all ayes. Motion carried.

Merrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. Seconded by Ferguson. Motion carried 6-0 by voice vote.