City of Northville Board and Commission Selection Committee May 2, 2016

Call to Order

The meeting of the Board and Commission Selection Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building – Council Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167.

It was noted that Councilmembers Marilyn Price and Jim Allen were present. Also present were City Clerk Dianne Massa and Applicant John Callahan. There was one citizen present.

Public Comments

None

Review Minutes

The minutes of March 21, 2016 were reviewed and no changes were requested.

Board and Commission Applicant Interviews

John Callahan (Board of Zoning Appeals – Regular Member). Discussion and questions focused on:

- Resident of City since 1995.
- Appointed to the BZA in 2010 as an Alternate Member. Is interested in filling the upcoming Regular Member vacancy. Noted he is qualified to serve as a full member of the BZA.
- Is an attorney. Has appeared before the BZA when representing the Tribe of Chippewa Indians School District in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.
- Over the last four years as an Alternate, Callahan has been asked to serve at more than half the
 meetings due to a Regular member's absence. Is familiar with the City's zoning ordinance and
 the function of the BZA. Spoke of the need to stay within the ordinances and fairly evaluate
 applicants appealing to the BZA.
- The importance of timely responses to attendance and quorum confirmation emails was stressed.
- Review of the BZA meeting schedule.
- Discussion of the City Council attendance requirement for board/commission members. It is
 expected that board members attend at least 75% of the scheduled meetings. His schedule can
 accommodate the attendance expectations for a Regular Member of the BZA.

Discussion and Recommendation:

The Committee concurred John Callahan would be recommended for appointment to fill the vacancy on the Board of Zoning Appeals/Regular Member position.

Approved as submitted: 7/5/2016

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Massa City Clerk