



# City of Independence

**Minutes**  
**Planning Commission Meeting**  
**Monday, May 5, 2025**

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1. **CALL TO ORDER.** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Chair Corby Chappell

2. **ROLL CALL**

Planning Commissioners Present:

Sally Coen	Becky Jay
José Oliveros-7:05PM	Alex Paraskevas
Corby Chappell, Chair	J. Patrick Fugeman

Commissioners Absent: Jordan Carpenter (excused)

Others Present: Fred Evander, Planning Manager; Myra Russell, City Recorder; Kathy Martin-Willis, Council Liaison

3. **MINUTES.** The minutes of the April 7, 2025, meeting were submitted in the agenda packet.

**ACTION:**

Commissioner Paraskevas moved to approve the minutes as submitted; Commissioner Coen seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0:

AYES: Coen, Jay, Paraskevas, Chappell

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: Fugeman

4. **VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENTS.** None  
5. **STAFF REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS – OTHER.** None  
6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** None  
7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1. Request to Extend Approval for SUB 2021-01, Southwest Crossing (67-Lot Subdivision) Evander presented information as submitted in agenda packet.

Commissioners asked about annexation of Talmadge Road and traffic impact. Evander addressed these concerns. Traffic concerns are potentially part of a bigger, regional issue at Stapleton Road/Hwy 99.

**ACTION:**

Commissioner Jay moved to approve the extension of the land use approval granted under SUB 2021-01 with the conditions and findings articulated within the Notice of Decision for the project; Commissioner Paraskevas seconded. No discussion. Motion passed 6-0-0:

AYES: Coen, Jay, Oliveros, Paraskevas, Chappell,  
Fugeman

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

7.2. Consideration of Revisions to Floodplain Standards

Irvine presented information in Evander's staff report as submitted agenda packet. Model code added to floodplain ordinance to mitigate three key parts.

8. **OTHER DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS**

8.1. Video: China's city of the future: utopia or dystopia? Commission watched about 10 minutes of video and discussed differences between building environment showed in video and local building environment.

9. **ADJOURNMENT.** Commissioner Paraskevas moved to adjourn, Commissioner Coen seconded. Unanimous by all members present. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.