TOWN OF MUNSTER PLAN COMMISSION

Munster Plan Commission
1005 Ridge Road
Munster, IN 46321

Petition PC 20-005

FINDINGS OF FACT FOR A FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL TO ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF MUNSTER RELATED TO FENCES IN SIDE YARDS

1. Petitioner, the Town of Munster Plan Commission, requests the adoption of a Zoning Ordinance text amendment, which text amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The Zoning request seeks to amend certain sections of the Munster Zoning Ordinance related to fences in side yards.

2. This matter came before the Town of Munster Plan Commission for public hearing on June 9, 2020. Petitioner presented proof of notification and publication as required by Indiana law. The public hearing was opened and closed.

3. Based upon the testimony and evidence presented by Petitioner, the Town of Munster Plan Commission, having given due consideration and having paid reasonable regard to the requirements of Indiana law, now makes a favorable recommendation to the Town Council that the Town Council adopt the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance attached to these Findings of Fact as Exhibit "A". The Town is seeking to amend certain sections of the Munster Zoning Ordinance related to fences in side yards.

4. In making such recommendation, the Town of Munster Plan Commission has paid reasonable regard to the comprehensive plan, current conditions and the character of current structures and uses in each district, the most desirable use for which the land in each district is adopted, the conservation of property values throughout the jurisdiction; and responsible development and growth in accordance with Indiana Law. The Town of Munster Plan Commission now makes the following Findings of Fact:

   A. The proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment is in the best interest of the Town of Munster and will serve to:

      i. secure adequate light, air, convenience of access, safety from fire, flood or other damage;

      ii. lessen or avoid congestion in public ways;

      iii. promote the public health, safety, comfort, morals, convenience, and general welfare; and

      iv. accomplish the purposes of the Indiana statue regarding zoning.

   B. The proposed amended Zoning Ordinance is consistent with Indiana Code 36-7-4-601, *et seq.*

C. The proposed amendments are consistent with the general purposes and goals of the Town of Munster Plan Commission and will promote the orderly development of the Town of Munster and be beneficial to the general welfare of the community.

WHEREFORE, based upon the above evidence and Findings, the Town of Munster Plan Commission voted SIX (6) in favor and ZERO (0) opposed, to grant and forward a favorable recommendation of the Zoning Ordinance amendment as stated above to the Town of Munster Town Council.

Action taken on June 9, 2020. Findings of Fact approved the 9th day of June, 2020.

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By: _____
William Baker, President

By: _____
Tom Vander Woude, Secretary