

Response from Chair Iris Sims regarding the Applicant's request for Recusal from their Application proceedings.

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Hello Matthew and Richard,

Below, please find Plan Commission Chair Iris Sims' response to the recusal question.

Thanks.

Craig

Sent: Thursday, February 2, 2023 12:04 PM
To: Failor, Craig <cfailor@oak-park.us>
Subject: ROPH

Craig,

The following is my response for the record:

In connection with the December 1, 2022 meeting of the Oak Park Plan Commission (PC), I was informed by the Village of Oak Park (VOP) attorney, Paul Stephanides, that the respective parties involved in the Proposed PC 22-08: Zoning Ordinance text amendment had agreed to continue the matter and to provide legal briefs concerning the applicants request that I recuse myself from hearing the application. Since the December 1, 2022 PC meeting concerning such matter, the respective parties decided not to provide legal briefs concerning the request for recusal.

Based upon past guidance I have received from counsel to the PC, along with APA-IL training and adherence to compliance with law requirements in the state of Illinois, I am not aware of any legal basis that would require my recusal from this matter. Therefore, I intend to continue to fairly and independently fulfill my duties as Chair of the PC.

Regards,

Iris K. Sims

Chair, VOP Plan Commission