

Abilene Planning Commission Minutes
Abilene Public Library
209 NW 4th St., Abilene, KS
December 2, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.



1. Called to Order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Boyd

2. Roll Call

Planning Commissioners Present: Chair Rod Boyd, Vice Chair Travis Sawyer, Bill Marshall, Matt Mead, Kristyn Anderson, Eric Anderson

Absent: None

Staff Present: Community Development Director Kari Zook, Administrative Manager Kellie Olson, City Inspector Travis Steerman

Public Present: Mark Kinderknecht, Scott Howard

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Sawyer to approve the agenda, seconded by E Anderson. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest/Ex Parte Communication - None

5. Minutes

Motion by Sawyer to approve the October 7, 2025, minutes as written, seconded by K Anderson. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Business

6. Public Hearing for PC 25-12, a request from Mark Kinderknecht for rezoning 1500 BLK NW 8th St., Abilene, KS, from A (Agricultural District) to I-1 (Light Industrial District). The staff report was discussed. Chair Boyd opened the public hearing at 4:10 p.m. Applicant Mark Kinderknecht was present to answer questions. No comments were made by the public. The public hearing was closed at 4:17 p.m. Motion by Sawyer to recommend approval of the rezoning, seconded by Marshall. Motion carried unanimously 6-0. There is a 14-day protest period that shall expire on December 16, 2025. This item will then be presented to the City Commission at their study session on December 22, 2025, and again at their meeting on January 12, 2026, for final approval.

7. Planning Commission Comments and Staff Updates

Currently, there is one vacancy on the Planning Commission. Two applications have been received and will be submitted to the mayor for their recommendation.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Marshall to adjourn at 4:20 p.m., seconded by Sawyer. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

ATTEST:

Planning Commission

Kari Zook
Community Development Director

UNAPPROVED