

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
VILLAGE OF NORTH SYRACUSE**

MAY 15, 2025

The Planning Commission of the Village of North Syracuse held a **Planning Commission Meeting** on **Thursday, May 15th, 2025** at 5:30 p.m. in the Village of North Syracuse Community Center at 700 South Bay Road, North Syracuse, New York 13212.

Planning Board Members: Greg Lancette, Jeff Bachstein, Vera Desimone, Lisa Lioto, Darlene Piper, Alternate and Sam Mondello, Alternate.

Personnel Present: Chris Strong, (Liaison), and Pearl Fuller (Secretary).

Personnel Absent: Connie Irick, Member (Excused), Emily Sharp, Member (Excused), and Larry Nestell, Codes Enforcement Officer (Excused), Amy Franco, Engineering (Excused) and Neil Germain, Atty. (Excused).

Agenda:

- Approval: 02/20/2025 Planning Commission Meeting's Minutes (**Approved**)
- Sunset Clause Extension: 709 N. Main St., #9-Akina Sushi Syracuse, Inc. (Hong Zheng) (**Approved**)

MEETING STARTS

Chairperson Lancette called meeting to order at 5:30 PM. He took roll call and noted members that were present.

MINUTE APPROVAL

Chairperson Lancette stated next, we have the approval of minutes for 02/20/25 for Village of North Syracuse of 110 Ferguson Ave & 115 Chestnut St. Zone Change Referral. He continued they were distributed prior to tonight's meeting for your review. Mrs. Lioto made a motion to approve the 02/20/25 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Desimone. All in favor. 0 opposed.

LEGALS

Chairperson Lancette stated we have some housekeeping to address for our applicant, Hong Zheng for Akina Sushi & Hibachi Restaurant of 709 N. Main St., Ste. #9. He asked if the agenda was sent to the paper. Mrs. Fuller stated yes. Chairperson Lancette clarified whether surrounding neighbors, and Town of Clay and Cicero were notified. Mrs. Fuller added they were. Chairperson Lancette stated all legals appear to be in order.

Akina Sushi Syracuse, Inc, (Hong Zheng) 709 N. Main Ste., #9.-Sunset Clause Ext.

Applicant: Akina Sushi Syracuse, Inc.

Applicant Representatives Present: No one present; letter sent.

PROJECT INTRODUCTION

Chairperson Lancette stated we are here tonight, to consider a request from Hong Zheng, owner of Akina Sushi Syracuse, Inc. regarding Akina Sushi & Hibachi Restaurant. He received Site Plan Approval with Special Permit for Ste. #9 at 709 N. Main St., known as Bear Road Plaza with Tax Parcel ID. No. 013.-01-03.1, in a C2-A zone, following the C-2 uses per § 240-12.1 B., on July 18, 2024. The Sunset Clause granted is to expire on July 18, 2025. He has done quite a bit of work in the restaurant already. However, due to a big family emergency that happened earlier this month, he has no one left at the job site to work or supervise the work right now. He is asking for an additional year which would expire on July 18, 2026.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairperson Lancette stated this meeting was not advertised as a Public Hearing.

APPLICANT/ BOARD QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Chairperson Lancette stated the representatives of the project are not here to speak on their behalf, but they are also not required to be here for the type of request that they have. He stated we are going to open it up to questions from the Board, is there any discussion or comments from any of the Board members, with no response he continued on.

LETTERS FROM SURROUNDING NEIGHBORS

Chairperson Lancette stated we did not receive any letters from the surrounding neighbors.

DPW/ POLICE/FIRE

Chairperson Lancette stated we did not receive any comments from Police, Fire and DPW.

MOTION

Mr. Bachstein made a motion for Akina Sushi Syracuse, Inc. (Akina Sushi & Hibachi Restaurant) located at 709 N. Main St., Ste. #9 Sunset Clause Extension to expire 7/18/2026. **The motion was seconded** by Mrs. Lioto. All in favor. 0 Opposed.

Chairperson Lancette asked for a motion to adjourn. **Mrs. Lioto made a motion** to adjourn at 5:34 PM. **The motion was seconded** by Mr. Mondello. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Pearl Fuller
Secretary