Holyoke City Council moved forward with rezoning and incentives for Cobblestone Inn and Suites (Holyoke Hotel, LLC) during a special meeting held Monday, Oct. 29.

Prior to the special meeting, the planning commission met to recommend the city rezone Block 1 of the JRE Subdivision of a part of the Robin Lake Addition to the City of Holyoke from A-O to C-1.

They also recommended the council grant the exemption from subdivision requirements for Block 1 of the JRE Subdivision. The council accepted both recommendations.

The land involved runs from East Johnson Street south along Highway 385 on the east side of the highway.

Steve Young, representing an investment group, was at last week's special meeting to answer any questions the council had.

The group is working with Cobblestone Inn and Suites to build a hotel on a lot at the corner of Highway 385 and East Johnson Street straight south of Holyoke City Park.

Two lots will be purchased. The lot directly to the south will be used for possible expansion or additional businesses in the future.

Young said the group will own the land and building when all is said and done. They will be using the Cobblestone name under a name branding system.

Cobblestone Inn and Suites focuses on helping local investors bring hotels to smaller and rural communities.

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