

APPROVED

OAK RIDGE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

MINUTES

Meeting date: February 12, 2013

Call to order: A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) was held in the Municipal Building Courtroom, Oak Ridge, TN on February 12, 2013. The meeting convened at 5:30 p.m. with Ms. Mason presiding.

Members in attendance: Syd Ball, Keith Craft, Susan Donnelly, David Gengozian, Judy Mason, and Monica Austin Carroll – Staff Representative

Members not in attendance: NONE

Visitors/Others: See attached Visitor Attendance Record

Approval of minutes: Ms. Donnelly made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 11, 2012. Mr. Craft seconded the motion. Motion carried by all.

The following cases were reviewed:

Case No. 12-11

David Ochs, 101 Wiltshire Drive, Lot 1, Block 16-BT, Parcel ID 104E B 017.00, RG-1 Zoning District is requesting a variance to allow a fence to exceed the maximum height allowed.

Motion by Ms. Donnelly to deny the variance as requested because it does not meet the criteria as defined in Section 16.10 (c) of the Zoning Ordinance for granting a variance. Second by Mr. Craft followed by a vote of 4 -1 to deny request. Mr. Ball was the dissenting vote.

Case No. 13-01

DJ Wheeler, 500 Scarboro Lane, Lot 59, Block 22 CB, Parcel ID 105D A 018.00, UB-2 Zoning District is requesting a special exception to allow for an expansion of the existing storage units at this location.

Motion by Ms. Donnelly to grant the special exception as requested with staff's conditional approval. Seconded by Mr. Gengozian followed by unanimous vote to grant request.

Case No. 13-02

Weigel's, 417 South Illinois Avenue, Parcel ID 105D F 041.00, UB-2 Zoning District is requesting a variance to reduce the minimum length required for a driveway.

Motion by Ms. Donnelly to grant variance as requested from 20 feet to 5 feet based on the provided City Engineer's recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Ball followed by unanimous vote to grant request.

Old Business

- Question about Wheel 2 Wheel business and the lack of improvement at this site. The Board requests that staff move forward with addressing this site.

New Business

- Election of Officers – Motion by Mr. Gengozian to maintain the same officers except Vice President, motion was withdrawn.

Motion by Mr. Craft to elect Judy Mason as Chairperson. Seconded by Ms. Donnelly followed by unanimous vote to approve.

Motion by Mr. Craft to elect Susan Donnelly as Vice Chairperson. Seconded by Mr. Gengozian followed by unanimous vote to approve.

Motion by Mr. Craft to elect David Gengozian as Secretary. Seconded by Ms. Donnelly followed by unanimous vote to approve.

- Request for training especially with new member. Suggested topics for training include: Sunshine Law, ethics, and state laws.
- Discussion of granting of variances amongst board members.
- Staff mentioned the upcoming January 21st public hearing on electronic signs.

Adjournment: Mr. Craft moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Ms. Donnelly. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.



Secretary
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