

MINUTES OF PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR MARCH 09, 2004

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jan Russell, Dr. John Gage, Randy Jones, Tom Carson, Lupe Lozano & Bill Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Wright

STAFF PRESENT: Carlos Vigil & Marcia McLaughlin

VISITORS PRESENT: List

MEETING OPENED: 4:00 P.M. MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:35 P.M.

The First item of business was to call the meeting to order.

The Second item of business was Citizen Comments. There were none presented.

The Third item of business was to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 09, 2004.

Mr. Jones made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Mrs. Lozano

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES:, Williams, Carson, Russell , Gage, Jones, Lozano: NAYS: None: ABSENT: Wright: ABSTENTION: None.

The Fourth item of business was – to consider and make a recommendation for a sign variance, located at the corner of Moss and South Howeth Street for Simpson Homes. Case # PZ-42-03.

After a presentation by staff, the Commissioners made a recommendation to approve the variance, with the following stipulations:

1. Must be removed within 1 year.
2. Sign must be maintained.
3. No lights on the sign.
4. Should be 60 feet off Moss Street and 30 feet off Howeth Street.

Mr. Carson made the motion to approve this item, with a second by Mr. Jones.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES:, Williams, Carson, Russell , Gage, Jones, Lozano: NAYS: None: ABSENT: Wright: ABSTENTION: None.

The Fifth item of business was - to consider and make a recommendation for a Specific Use Permit for the property located at 734 N. Grand Ave., to apply for alcohol on premise sales and consumption, for Party Time Beer and Wine. Case # PZ-01-04.

After a presentation by staff, and comments from citizens that live in the area, the Commissioners made a recommendation to approve.

Mrs. Russell made the motion to approve this item, with no second the motion died on the floor. At that time Chairman Bill Williams asked to have this back at the next meeting.

The Sixth item of business was - to consider and make a recommendation for a Specific Use Permit for the property located at 1205 N. Grand Ave., (Blue Bayou), to apply for alcohol sales permit. Case # PZ-05-04.

After a presentation by staff, and Mrs. Brown at 1311 N. Morris opinion of "No" read into the record, the Commissioners made a recommendation to approve.

Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve this item with a 2 year stipulation, with a second by Mr. Jones.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES:, Williams, Carson, Russell , Gage, Jones, Lozano: NAYS: None: ABSENT: Wright: ABSTENTION: None.

The Seventh item of business was - to consider and make a recommendation for a Specific Use Permit for the property located at 100 & 102 N. Grand Ave., (Grand Central Convenience Store), to apply for alcohol sales permit. Case # PZ-06-04.

After a presentation by staff, the Commissioners made a motion to approve with the stipulation that all lighting be minimized for illumination overspill.

Mr. Jones made a motion to approve this item, with a second by Mrs. Lozano.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES:, Williams, Carson, Russell , Gage, Jones, Lozano: NAYS: None: ABSENT: Wright: ABSTENTION: None.

The Eighth item of business was – to consider and make a recommendation for a sign located at the corner of Grand and California Street for Grand Central Connivance Store. Case # PZ- 07-04.

After a presentation by staff, Ronnie Brooks with Future Signs, the Commissioners made a motion to approve with the stipulation that the sign meet the 100 mph wind load regulations.

Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve this item, with a second by Mrs. Lozano.

The motion carried by the following vote: AYES:, Williams, Carson, Russell , Gage, Jones, Lozano: NAYS: None: ABSENT: Wright: ABSTENTION: None.

The Ninth item of business was the Staff Report.

Staff answered questions about upcoming development and staff was directed to a draft light pollution and noise pollution ordinance.

Adjourned: 5:35 p.m.