

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

November 15, 2010

The Planning Board of the City of Texas City met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, November 15, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Board members present were: Mayor Doyle, Jose Boix, and Dickie Campbell. Staff members present were: Doug Kneupper, and Edna Patterson. Citizens present were Edward Quintero, Iris Long, Ed Long, and Sally Cedotal.

Jose Boix presided over the meeting. The chairperson indicated a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. A motion to approve the minutes of November 1, 2010 was made by Mayor Doyle/ Dickie Campbell. All members present voted aye.

ITEM NO. 1. Iris Thompson requests to abandon a 60' x 440.95' (.6074 acres) R.O.W. for street, utilities and drainage Right-of-Way being a 0.6074 acre (26457 Sq Ft.) tract of land out of and a part of 19th Avenue North (60' R.O.W.) as shown in the plat of the A.W. Clarke Subdivision No. 8, a subdivision in Galveston County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 6, Page 12, of the Galveston County Map Records, said 0.6074 acre tract located 19th Avenue west of 29th street (Action). A memo from Mr. Carroll was provided to the Board stating the following, "This abandonment request by Iris Thompson has been reviewed by Staff during several of our Staff Development Review meetings held every Tuesday. After conferring with the Building Official, Fire Marshal, and City Engineer the abandonment request meet with no objections. Newspaper Public Hearing Notices were run and notices were mailed to the property owners within 200'. No property owners within the limits of the proposed abandonment have expressed opposition to this intent. One letter in support of the abandonment was received from a property owner. Letters were received from all the utility companies stating "no objections' to the abandonment." Mr. Carroll was not in attendance. Mr. Kneupper addressed the Board and advised that as shown on the map (attached) this portion of 19th Avenue is situated between a ditch and a subdivision with out a way to connect to the existing 19th Avenue Street. Responses have been received from all the utility providers as well as the City's Public Works Department stating they have no objection to the abandonment request. Mr. Kneupper advised the Board that Mrs. Long was available to answer any questions concerning the request. Mayor Doyle asked if any of the citizens present had any objections or concerns. Mr. Quintero (2926 19th Avenue North) asked, "What is the address of this property?" Mr. Kneupper replied that this is unimproved open land and therefore has no address only the legal description. After a brief discussion, a motion to approve the abandonment request was made by Dickie Campbell/Mayor Doyle. All members present voted aye.

ITEM NO. 2. Other Business. - Non-action

Mayor Doyle asked Mr. Kneupper as to status of the fence variance request from last meeting. Mr. Kneupper replied that the applicant has not responded.

Mayor Doyle also asked about the Seivwright Site Plan Rezoning request that the Board reviewed at the November 1 meeting. Mr. Kneupper advised the Board that the request would be reviewed by the Zoning Commission on November 16 and that the area of notification had been expanded. Several property owners have expressed that they would be in attendance to ask questions about some concerns.

There being no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Doyle/Dickie Campbell. All members present voted aye.


Donald R. Carroll, Secretary

Jose Boix, Chairperson