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CITY OF FORT PIERCE PLANNING BOARD

Planning Board Minutes

OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FORT PIERCE CITY PLANNING BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, **MARCH 10, 2015**, IN FORT PIERCE CITY HALL, COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH US HIGHWAY 1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Eloise Cummings; Tim O'Connell; Marcia Baker; John George; Mike Dahan; Erica Ganzi; Brian Paul; Eduardo Mujica; Charlie Hayek; Robert Poitier; Steve Weaver; Chairman Bob Burdge

Absent:

Staff Present: James Walker, Assistant City Attorney
Kori Benton, Historic Preservation Officer
Clarissa Davis, Planner
Alicia Rosenthal, Administrative Assistant
Vennis Gilmore, Planning Intern

4. CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES

All members were present.

5. CERTIFICATION OF ALTERNATE MEMBER VOTING STATUS

All regular members were present.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. February 10, 2015 meeting

Motion was made by John George, and seconded by Erica Ganzi to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2015 meeting.

AYE: Eduardo Mujica, Brian Paul, Erica Ganzi, Mike Dahan, John George, Marcia Baker, Tim O'Connell, Eloise Cummings, Charlie Hayek, Chairman Bob Burdge

Passed

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Proposed Amendment to Sec. 22-22 Allowed Uses - To grant a Farmer's Market or Farm Stand Use as permitted in I-1 zoning districts.

Mr. Gilmore gave an overview of the application. Ms. Davis answered questions from the Board and Mr. Benton provided additional information.

Motion was made by Marcia Baker, and seconded by Erica Ganzi to forward a recommendation of approval to the City Commission.

AYE: Eloise Cummings, Tim O'Connell, Marcia Baker, John George, Mike Dahan, Erica Ganzi, Brian Paul, Eduardo Mujica, Charlie Hayek, Chairman Bob Burdge

Passed

- b. Abandonment of Alleyway - RAST Properties - 702 Atlantic Avenue

Mr. Benton gave an overview of the application and answered questions from the Board. Steve Tarr, Owner and Applicant spoke on behalf of the abandonment.

Motion was made by Erica Ganzi, and seconded by John George to forward a recommendation to the City Commission for approval of the requested abandonment, based on the approvals provided by the affected departments, with the condition that a utility easement, encompassing the affected alleyway, is recorded concurrent with the abandonment, if deemed necessary by FPUA.

AYE: Tim O'Connell, Marcia Baker, John George, Mike Dahan, Erica Ganzi, Brian Paul, Eduardo Mujica, Charlie Hayek, Eloise Cummings, Chairman Bob Burdge

Passed

- c. Special Exception - Carl & Cynthia Onachila - 61 Southpointe Drive

Mr. Benton gave an overview of the application. The Board discussed the application and Mr. Benton answered questions from the Board. Mr. Walker explained that the Board's jurisdiction is very limited and the Special Exception is only being considered. Carl Onachila, Owner and Applicant, provided additional information regarding his property and answered questions from the board.

Motion was made by John George, and seconded by Marcia Baker to forward a recommendation of approval to the Board of Adjustment with the condition that the proposed porch addition does not feature a roof impervious to weather, such as a complete screen enclosure, as to not further exceed the allowable lot coverage.

AYE: Marcia Baker, John George, Mike Dahan, Erica Ganzi, Brian Paul, Eduardo Mujica, Eloise Cummings, Tim O'Connell, Chairman Bob Burdge

NAY: Charlie Hayek

Passed

8. ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR AND SECRETARY

Motion was made by Marsha Baker and seconded by Mike Dahan to nominate Bob Burdge as Chair. Motion was made by John George and seconded by Eloise Cumings to nominate Erica Ganzi as Chair. Motion was made by Marsha Baker and seconded by John George to close nominations. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed. By show of hands three Board members voted in favor of Erica Ganzi and seven Board members voted in favor of Bob Burge. Bob Burdge was elected Chair.

Motion was made by Mike Dahan and seconded by John George to nominate Erica Ganzi as Vice-Chair. Motion was made by Charlie Hayek and seconded by Tim O'Connell to close nominations. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed. Eric Ganzi was elected Vice-Chair.

Motion was made by Brian Paul and seconded by John George to nominate Marsha Baker as Secretary. Motion was made by Charlie Hayek and seconded by Erica Ganzi to close nominations. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed. Marsha Baker was elected Secretary.

9. BOARD COMMENTS

10. ADJOURNMENT