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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 MONDAY, **APRIL 12, 2021**, 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**

Mr. Albury left the meeting at 2:55 PM.

Present: Harold Albury; Bob Burdge; Nichelle Clemons; Michael Broderick; Marcia Baker; Gloria Johnson-Scott; Frank Creyaufmiller, Chairman

Staff Present: Rebeca Guerra, Assistant Planning Director
Alicia Rosenthal, Executive Assistant
Brandon Creagan, Planner
Jennifer Hofmeister, Planning Director
Tanya Earley, Assistant City Attorney
Vennis Gilmore, Planner

4. **CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES**

All members were in attendance.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. Minutes from the March 8, 2021 meeting

Motion was made by Marcia Baker, and seconded by Nichelle Clemons to approve the minutes from the March 8, 2021 meeting.

AYE: Bob Burdge, Nichelle Clemons, Michael Broderick, Marcia Baker, Gloria Johnson-Scott, Harold Albury, Chairman Frank Creyaufmiller

Passed

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Conditional Use with New Construction - Slater Residence - 1629 Thumb Point Drive

Mr. Gilmore gave an overview of the application and answered questions from the Board on residential and South Beach overlay height restrictions. Mr. Gilmore stated the request for an additional five (5) feet in height is for the desired interior design.

Richard Slater, applicant, provided the Board with additional information on why he wants to live in Fort Pierce on the waterfront.

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

AYE: Nichelle Clemons, Michael Broderick, Marcia Baker, Gloria Johnson-Scott, Harold Albury, Bob Burdge, Chairman Frank Creyaufmiller

Passed

b. Development Review & Design Review - Bobcat of Treasure Coast - 4405 Prosperity Drive

Mr. Creagan gave an overview of the site plan and answered questions from the Board on sidewalks. He stated the current building is 5,667 square feet and the retail expansion will be 1,875 square feet and the porch expansion will be 1,125 square feet. He noted the equipment wash area will be 2,400 square feet.

Alejandra Molina-Jackson, Architect, stated the project has been approved through the county and the applicant will be providing appealing landscaping and lighting.

Motion was made by Bob Burdge, and seconded by Michael Broderick to forward a recommendation of approval to the City Commission.

AYE: Michael Broderick, Marcia Baker, Gloria Johnson-Scott, Harold Albury, Bob Burdge, Nichelle Clemons, Chairman Frank Creyaufmiller

Passed

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Guerra and Mr. Broderick provided an update on the progress of the Short Term Rental Task Force Committee. Mr. Broderick noted that the City Commission will have to decide whether to keep the current Conditional Use process with an enhanced registration or abandon the Conditional Use process, which will allow short term dwelling rentals in the E-1 zoning district.

It was highlighted that the registration fees will come from the original application, renewals and the property manager registration. The goal of the fee is to properly fund staff positions to manage and enforce the process.

Chairman Creyaufmiller stated the Conditional Use process for short term dwelling rentals is broken and he suggested creating means of certification before an application can be considered.

Mr. Burdge suggested the renter pay a fee to the city in case Code Enforcement has to come out to the property.

Ms. Guerra stated the state restrictions on dwelling rentals for the City of Fort Pierce cannot be touched.

Ms. Guerra stated the State's restrictions on dwelling rentals limits the means by which the City of Fort Pierce can amend its current regulations for that use.

Board discussion ensued.

9. BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Burdge asked if four hours of ethics training was needed to fill out the Financial Disclosure form and Ms. Earley stated the training was required for elected officials and not for volunteers on an advisory Board.

10. ADJOURNMENT