

#### Variance Review Board

# City Council Chambers City Hall 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., Third Floor Tampa, Florida 33602

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## **MINUTES**

**MEETING DATE: February 10, 2009** 

**MEETING TIME: 6:30 PM** 

**I. <u>ROLL CALL</u>** Members Present: Antonio Amadeo, Chair; Randy Baron, Randy O'Kelley, Lucinda Utter, and Sue Lyon.

Staff Present: Towanda Anthony (LDC), Eric Cotton (LDC), Ernie Mueller (Legal), Mary Danielewicz-Bryson (LDC), Roger Kirk (Transportation)

#### II. BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

1. Annual Variance Review Board elections Board moved to hear annual elections at end of meeting

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR January 13, 2009

Minutes approved by board with amends.

## IV. OLD BUSINESS: Cases Continued/ Mis-Notice

PETITION: VRB09-15

PETITIONER: Donald McLellan AGENT: Cindy Vaughan

LOCATION: 8634 N Nebraska Avenue REQUEST: To install electric fence

PURPOSE: To provide a security fence inside perimeter fence

NEIGHBORHOOD: Sulphur Springs Action League

The board requested a continuance to the February 10, 2009, public hearing date to allow zoning administrator to provide a determination.

Randy Baron stated received email, but did not read email. Legal confirmed no impact on case.

Agent Steve Michelini asked legal to read applicable code. Agent presented case to install electric fence based on security need.

Board asked for police reports to this address for the 3 years prior and post electric fence.

Public spoke- Pete Johnson submitted documents into the record.

Agent asked for a continuance to provide additional information. Agent agreed to provide the required 6' minimum buffer requirements.

Board asked for history of code violations.

Agent asked for continuance for additional information including documents of prior crimes, prior security methods and code violations.

Mr. Baron motioned for a continuance. Ms. Utter seconded. Motioned carried 5-0.

PETITION: VRB09-12
PETITIONER: Francisco Otero
AGENT: Not Applicable

LOCATION: 5415 n Paddock Avenue

REQUEST: To reduce corner yard setback from 7' to 3'

PURPOSE: To construct 2 story garage

NEIGHBORHOOD: Wellswood Civic

The board requested a continuance to the February 10, 2009, public hearing date to allow petitioner to reconsider request based on city comments.

Agent presented case to construct 2- story garage. The agent stated submitted revised site plan, confirmed by Mary D Bryson.

Board closed public hearing.

Sue Lyon motioned to approve request. Mr. Baron seconded. Motioned carried 5-0.

PETITION: VRB09-14

PETITIONER: Arthur M Earnest AGENT: Not Applicable

LOCATION: 4701 Wishart Boulevard

REQUEST: To reduce side yard setback from 7' to 3'

PURPOSE: To retain existing garage

NEIGHBORHOOD: Wellswood Civic

The board requested a continuance to the February 10, 2009, public hearing date to allow petitioner to reconsider request.

Petitioner presented case to construct attached garage.

Board asked how garage constructed. Petitioner bought plans and constructed slab of garage with pier system.

Board asked to show how reach garage.

Roger Kirk, petitioner, provide a delineated driveway on site plan for approval.

Parks, Dave Reilly, stated can only use North Bay for driveway.

Board closed public hearing.

Mr. O'Kelley moved to approve request, seconded by Mr. Baron. Motioned carried 5-0.

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

A. TREE & LANDSCAPE / TRANSPORTATION / SIGN VARIANCES/ SPECIAL TOPICS

# B. <u>GENERAL VARIANCES</u>

PETITION: VRB09- 19

PETITIONER: Michael R & Mary A Kren

AGENT: Not Applicable LOCATION: 2422 Marconi Street

REQUEST: To reduce east side yard from 7' to 1.4", west side

yard from 7' to 5.2", and rear yard setback from 20'

to 2.5"

PURPOSE: To construct carport NEIGHBORHOOD: Palmetto Beach

Petitioner presented case to construct attached garage.

Board asked to clarify request.

Board moved to close public hearing.

Mr. Baron moved to approve request, seconded by Mr. O'Kelley. Motioned carried 5-0.

PETITION: VRB09-20
PETITIONER: Darren Brinkley
AGENT: Not Applicable

LOCATION: 4204 W Culbreath Avenue

REQUEST: To increase height of accessory structure from 15'

to 20'

PURPOSE: To construct two story garage

NEIGHBORHOOD: Beach Park Homeowners

Agent presented case to construct 2-story garage. Stated working closely with staff to preserve grand oak tree, Dave Reilly, Parks concurred.

Board asked to explain how plan to construct garage to protect tree. Height allows for sun benefits around tree.

Roger Kirk, requested a 1' driveway apron.

Board moved to close hearing.

Baron moved to approve request, .seconded by Ms. Utter. Motioned carried 5-0.

PETITION: VRB09-21

PETITIONER: Peter & Alyssa Greenberger
AGENT: Frances Evelyn Johnson, Esquire

LOCATION: 2932 W Wallcraft Avenue

REQUEST: To increase height from 15' to 23' and reduce side

vard setback from 7' to 1'

PURPOSE: To construct carriage house w garage and porta

cochere

NEIGHBORHOOD: Bayshore Beautiful

Agent presented case to construct carriage house and porta cochere.

Board asked petitioner if they would agree with condition to never enclose the porta cochere.

Board asked for hardship for height increase, designer stated roof pitch included in height request.

Board moved to close public hearing.

Mr. OKelley moved to approve request with condition to never enclose the porta cochere. Seconded by Mr. Baron. Motioned carried 5-0.

PETITION: VRB09-22
PETITIONER: Verna Carbo
AGENT: Not Applicable

LOCATION: 3911 W Pearl Avenue

REQUEST: To reduce front yard setback from 25' to 15' and

east side yard setback from 7' to 3.28"

PURPOSE: To construct attached carport NEIGHBORHOOD: Gandy/ Sun Bay South Civic

Agent presented case to construct attached carport.

Board closed public hearing.

Mr. Baron moved to approve request with condition for pier and lintel foundation, carport never enclosed, and 6 foot minimum separation between tree and carport. Seconded by Ms. Utter. Motioned carried 5-0.

PETITION: VRB09-23

PETITIONER: Christos & Rosalle Lyons Pantzalis

AGENT: Leslie Van Trump

LOCATION: 4807 Londonberry Drive

REQUEST: To reduce rear yard setback from 20' to 16'

PURPOSE: To construct residential addition NEIGHBORHOOD: Tampa Palms Homeowners

Agent, Leslie Van Trump, presented case to construct attached garage.

Public, Randy Barlow stated landscaping was put in to accommodate impacts to neighborhood.

Public hearing closed.

Mr. Baron moved to approve request, seconded by Mr. O'Kelley.

Motioned carried 5-0.

## **BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS (RESUMED)**

- 1) Legal, discussed a unified rules and procedures process is underway across the City of Tampa. Mr. Amadeo commended the city proactive approach to unifying the process throughout the City, Mr. Baron concurred.
- 2) Elections were conducted by legal.
  - Mr. Baron nominated Amadeo for a second term as chair.
     Motioned carried 5-0.
  - Mr. Baron nominated O'Kelley for a second term as vice-chair.
     Motioned carried 5-0.