



**VARIANCE REVIEW BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING**

MEETING DATE:	Tuesday, June 13, 2023
TIME:	5:30 PM
LOCATION:	Old City Hall, 315 E. Kennedy Boulevard, City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, Tampa, FL 33602

Meeting Minutes

Si usted necesita esta información en español o asistencia en español, por favor llame al 813-274-3100.

Welcome to the Variance Review Board (VRB). Please state your name and address and speak clearly. If you are not the agent, please observe the three-minute rule.

All interested parties and citizens may appear and be heard as to any and all matters pertinent to the application. Because of the COVID-19 health precautions, meetings will allow Board members, applicants, city staff, and interested members of the public to observe appropriate social distancing measures, which require a minimum of six (6) feet between individuals. Members of the public who do not wish to appear in person, due to COVID-19 or otherwise, may submit written comments by mail to Development Coordination, 1400 N. Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33607, or by email to vrb@tampagov.net. All written comments must be received no later than 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting to ensure distribution to Board members and to be included in the official record of the meeting. To check the status of the public hearing regarding postponement or cancellation, please contact the VRB Administrator at (813) 274-3100 or by email at vrb@tampagov.net.

Please silence all cell phones to ensure an accurate record of the Public Hearing and for the courtesy of those attending this meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER 5:30PM

II. SILENT ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Aaron Murphy, Bret Feldman, Sam Decker, Oona Johnsen

Staff Present:

Development Coordination: Jayne Nmadu

Development Clerk: Mary Tavarez

Legal Staff: Susan Johnson Velez

Natural Resources: Steven Eyster

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM May 9th, 2023, VRB HEARING

Motion to approve May 9th, 2023, Meeting Minutes with edits:

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Approve: Oona Johnson Second: Brett Feldman
Motion Passed: 4-0

IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST/EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Legal Staff, Susan Johnson Velez, confirmed with Board Members that there were no conflicts. Also, confirmed no ex-parte communication regarding any of the items on the agenda. SWEAR-IN

VRB-23-25 – Aaron Murphy-Conflict of interest – Aaron does conduct business with the applicant but did state that will not affect his ability to be impartial on the case.

V. SWEAR-IN

Staff, Mary Tavarez, swore in all public hearing participants, applicants, interested parties, and witnesses who will be giving testimony in the City Council Chambers.

VI. CONTINUANCES AND MISSED NOTICES

Development Coordination – Jayne Nmadu requested VRB-23-25 3010 S Esperanza Ave to be moved to end of agenda applicant is not present. Applicant sent email stating he might continue the action, but Jayne Nmadu has not received any update. Cased moved to end of agenda.

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Approve: Oona Johnsen Second: Bret Feldman
Motion Passed: 4-0

a. TREE & LANDSCAPE / TRANSPORTATION / SIGN VARIANCES

b. GENERAL VARIANCES

VRB 23-25	OWNER:	Brodsky Milana Properties
	AGENT:	N/A
	APPLICANT:	John Lum
	LOCATION:	3010 S Esperanza Ave (126278.0000) RM-16
	REQUEST:	Decrease the front yard setback from 25' to 8 'and the rear yard setback from 15' to 3 ' . (Sec. 27-156(c))
	PURPOSE:	For construction of a single-family semidetached home.
	NEIGHBORHOOD:	Palma Ceia Neighborhood Association, Inc., Virginia Park Neighborhood Association, Inc., Bayshore Gardens Neighborhood Association, Inc., Palma Ceia West Neighborhood Association, Inc., Parkland Estates Civic Club, Inc.

Continued from May 9th VRB-

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Carry Over to July 11th VRB:
Brett Feldman Second: Oona Johnson
Motion Passed: 4-0

VII. ITEMS TO BE REVIEWED

a. TREE & LANDSCAPE / TRANSPORTATION / SIGN VARIANCES

VRB 23-34 OWNER: Rudy F Vanderheijden
AGENT: Kami Corbett
APPLICANT: David Bresnahan
LOCATION: 2912 W Bay Vista Avenue (127424.0000) RS-60
REQUEST: Request to remove 2 grand trees.
PURPOSE: Construct a new single-family home.
NEIGHBORHOOD: Bayshore Beautiful Neighborhood Association, Inc., Keep
Bayshore Beautiful Inc., Hawthorne Pond Condominium
Association Inc., Belmar Gardens Neighborhood, 345 Bayshore
Condominium Assn., Ballast Point Neighborhood Association,
Parkland Estates Civic Club, Inc.

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Approve: Bret Feldman Second: Aaron Murphy
Motion Passed: 3-1
Removal of a 39" Southern Live Oak Grand Tree based on site plan.

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Deny: Bret Feldman Second: Aaron Murphy
Motion Passed: 4-0
Removal of a 42" American Elm Tree be denied removal due to the failure
of the petitioner to meet burden of proof.

b. GENERAL VARIANCES

VRB 23-30 OWNER: Diane L Reese
AGENT: Julia Montemuino
APPLICANT: Moises Villasenor
LOCATION: 8215 Whistling Pine Way (33580.3388) PD-A, New Tampa
REQUEST: Reduce rear yard setback from 20' to 10'. (Sec. 27-138(7)i)
PURPOSE: For a solid roof screen enclosure.
NEIGHBORHOOD: West Meadows, Richmond Place Property Owners Association
Inc., Promenade Owners Association, Inc

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Approve: Oona Johnsen Second: Brett Feldman
Motion Passed: 4-0

VRB 23-33 OWNER: Matthew Brazis
AGENT: N/A
APPLICANT: Mark Blanar
LOCATION: 813 W Amelia Avenue (183465.0000) PD
REQUEST: Reduce the rear yard setback from 3' to 2'3". (Sec. 27-290.6)
PURPOSE: For an air conditioning unit.
NEIGHBORHOOD: Ridgewood Park Crime Prevention & Civic Association, Inc.,
Bowman Heights, Old Seminole Heights Neighborhood
Association, Inc., Riverside Heights Civic Association

BOARD VOTE: Motion to Approve: Aaron Murphy Second: Brett Feldman
Motion Passed: 4-0

VIII. WITHDRAWN CASES
VRB 23-24 4914 S MacDill Avenue

IX. ADJOURNMENT: 7:00pm

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