

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

MINUTES

August 17, 2021 Meeting

The City of Knoxville **Board of Zoning Appeals** considered the following petitions for variance of requirements of the Knoxville City Code, Appendix B, Zoning Regulations at their August 17, 2021 meeting at 4:00 pm in Room #461, City County Building, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, TN, and via the Zoom online meeting format.

This meeting and all communications between the Board members is subject to the provisions of the Tennessee Open Meetings Act, Tenn. Code. Ann. § 9-44-101, et seq.

An audio recording of the full BZA meeting can be accessed via the below link:

Knoxvilletn.gov/BZA Audio Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Daniel Odle called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board members present were Daniel Odle, Grant Rosenberg, Don Horton, Christina Bouler, and Eboni James.

Others in attendance were Peter Ahrens, Building Official; Bryan Berry, Building Official; Scott Elder; Zoning Chief; Christina Magrans-Tillery, City Attorney; Josh Jenkins, Stormwater Engineering; Amy Brooks, Knoxville-Knox County Planning Executive Director; Jennie Forte, Principal Secretary; and Cheri Burke, Board Secretary.

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Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg made a motion to approve the Minutes from the July 20, 2021 meeting. It was seconded by member Don Horton. The Board voted 5-0 to **APPROVE**.

NEW BUSINESS

File:8-A-21-VAParcel ID:134AB008Applicant:Edward & Lisa Shouse2nd Council DistrictAddress:1301 Wilshire Rd2nd Council DistrictZoning:RN-1 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood) Zoning District

Variance Request:

Reduce the minimum required interior side yard setback for a detached carport accessory structure from 5 feet to 2.6 feet. (Article 10, Section 10.3.A.5.)

Per plan submitted to build a detached carport accessory structure in the RN-1 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood) Zoning District.

Brian Rowe was present and spoke to the application.

Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg made a motion to approve. It was seconded by Chairman Daniel Odle. The Board voted 5-0 to **APPROVE.**

File:8-C-21-VAParcel ID:059026Applicant:Richard E. Graves o/b/o Seefried Industrial Properties4th Council DistrictAddress:3001 Knoxville Center DrI-G (General Industrial) Zoning District

Variance Request:

1. Increase the maximum total height for freestanding cut off luminaires in a nonresidential district from 20 feet to 28 feet. (Article 10, Section 10.2.B.5.)

2. Increase the maximum permitted cut of angle for a luminaire from 75 degrees to 90 degrees. (Article 10, Section 10.2.B.3)

Per plan submitted to construct a new warehouse and distribution facility and related site work in the I-G (General Industrial) Zoning District.

Applicant Richard Graves and Mike Bensh were present and spoke to the application.

Kevin Murphy was present and spoke in opposition.

Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg made a motion to approve. It was seconded by member Christina Bouler. The Board voted 5-0 to **APPROVE.**

File:8-F-21-VAParcel ID:121JD003Applicant:Betty McKeehan2nd Council DistrictAddress:6202 Westland DrZoning:RN-1 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood) Zoning District

Variance Request:

Reduce the minimum required front yard setback from +/- 10 feet of the average blockface distance of 58.5 feet to 44 feet. (Article 4, Section 4.3, Table 4-1.)

Per plan submitted to construct a new residence in the RN-1 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood) Zoning District.

No one was present to speak to the application.

Chairman Daniel Odle made a motion to postpone the application to the September 21, 2021 meeting. It was seconded by Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg. Motion was first tabled, then withdrawn.

Chairman Daniel Odle made a motion to approve. It was seconded by Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg. The Board voted 5-0 to **APPROVE.**

File:8-G-21-VAParcel ID:081MM017Applicant:Amy Sherrill4th Council DistrictAddress:700 Eleanor StZoning:RN-2 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood) Zoning District

Variance Request:

1. Increase the maximum permitted building coverage from 30% to 55%. (Article 4, Section 4.3, Table 4-1.)

2. Increase the maximum permitted impervious surface coverage from 40% to 65%. (Article 4, Section 4.3. Table 4-1.)

Per plan submitted to construct an addition on an existing residence in the RN-2 (Single-Family Residential Neighborhood) Zoning District.

Applicant Amy Sherrill was present and spoke to the application.

Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg made a motion to approve. It was seconded by member Eboni James. Member Christina Bouler abstained. The Board voted 4-0 to **APPROVE.**

File:8-I-21-VAApplicant:Dominion Development GroupAddress:10865 Parkside DrZoning:C-R-1 (Regional Commercial) Zoning District

Parcel ID: 131 02930 2nd Council District

Variance Request:

1. Increase the maximum driveway width from 30 ft to 36 ft. (Article 11, Section 11.7.c, Table 11-6.)

2. Increase the maximum curb cut width from 60 ft to 86.2 ft, (Article 11, Section 11.7.c, Table 11-6.)

Per plan submitted to construct a multi-family development in the C-R-1 (Regional Commercial) Zoning District.

Sean Chalmers was present and spoke to the application.

Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg made a motion to approve. It was seconded by member Don Horton. The Board voted 5-0 to **APPROVE.**

File:8-J-21-VAApplicant:Kathryn GreerAddress:525 Henley StZoning:DK-B (Downtown Knoxville) Zoning District

Variance Request:

Reduce the minimum required setback for a flag pole from the lot line abutting Henley St from 5 ft to 2 ft 3 in (Article 10, Section 10.3.M.3.)

Per plan submitted to relocate flagpole location in the DK-B (Downtown Knoxville) Zoning District.

Applicant Kathryn Greer was present and spoke to the application.

Member Don Horton made a motion to approve. It was seconded by Vice-Chairman Grant Rosenberg. The Board voted 5-0 to **APPROVE.**

OTHER BUSINESS

The next BZA meeting is August 17, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.