



Commissioner Bennett
Commissioner Brewer
Commissioner Debrow
Commissioner Flowers
Commissioner Harwood
Commissioner Layel
Commissioner Nicaud

MINUTES PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Tuesday, January 23, 2024
6:00 PM CST
Council Chambers, City Hall
and via teleconference, if necessary

Call to Order

Chairman Flowers called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Statement of Purpose

1. May our decisions today be made with wisdom, careful deliberation and in the best interest of the City of Diamondhead. May we display patience and kindness in our dealings with each other and all who are in attendance and may any decisions made today promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Diamondhead and the enhancement of the City as a whole.

Commissioner Harwood read the STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Nicaud led the PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE.

Roll Call

Present at the meeting were commissioners: DeBrow, Harwood, Layel, Brewer, Nicaud, and Flowers. Absent: Bennett.

Also present were: City Attorney, Derek Cusick, Development Coordinator, Pat Rich, Building Official, Beau King, and Minute Clerk, Tammy Braud.

Confirmation or Adjustments to Agenda

Commissioner Nicaud made a motion, second by Commissioner DeBrow to accept the Agenda as presented.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of December 12, 2023 minutes.

Commissioner Layel made a motion, second by Commissioner Harwood to accept the Minutes as presented.

Motion Passed Unanimously

New Business

2. Word and Robin Johnston have filed an application requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 4.19) to allow the construction of a pool screen enclosure within 10' of the rear property line. The property address is 7515 Turnberry Drive. The tax parcel number is 067N-1-35-

002.000.The property is in a R-1 zoning district. The rear yard setback is 20'. The variance requested for the pool enclosure is 10'. The Case File Number is 202300543.

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich spoke and answered questions from the Commissioners.

Chairman Flowers asked if anyone was present to represent the Johnston. Jeff Jassby spoke and answered questions,

Development Coordinator read the staff report with the recommendation to approve the Variance.

Commissioner DeBrow made a motion, second by Commissioner Layel to accept the findings and recommendation of the Staff and recommend approval of the variance to the City Council..

Motion Passed Unanimously

3. Susan Joyce has filed an application requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 4.19) to allow the construction of an accessory structure within 5' of the rear property line. The property address is 684 Apona Street. The tax parcel number is 131A-0-04-067.000.The property is in a R-2 zoning district. The rear yard setback is 10'. The variance requested for the accessory structure is 5'. The Case File Number is 202300565.

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich spoke and answered questions from the commissioners.

Chairman Flowers asked if anyone was present to represent Susan Joyce.

Susan Joyce spoke to commissioners and answered questions.

Chairman Flowers asked for public comments.

Melinda Williams, Ernest Gabourel spoke in favor of the variance.

Development Coordinator , Pat Rich read 2 letters and received one phone call not in favor of the variance.

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich read the staff report with the recommendation to deny the variance as petitioned.

Commissioner DeBrow made a motion, second by Commissioner Harwood to accept the findings and recommendation of the Staff and recommend denial of the variance to City Council .

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: DeBrow, Harwood, Flowers

Nay: Nicaud, Layel, Brewer

Motion did not Pass. No recommendation agreed upon by Commissioners

4. Susan Muth has filed an application requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 4.19) to allow the construction of a carport within 7' of the side yard property line. The property address is 10779 Lilinoe Way. The tax parcel number is 067G-1-25-285.000. The property is in a MH zoning district. The side yard setback is 10'. The variance requested for the carport is 3'. The Case File Number is 202300586.

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich, spoke to commissioners and answered their questions.

Chairman Flowers asked if anyone was present to represent Susan Muth. No one was present.

Chairman Flowers asked for public comments. None

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich, read the staff report recommending to approve as petitioned to the City Council.

Commissioner Brewer made a motion, second by Commissioner Layel to accept the findings and recommendation of the Staff and recommend denial of the variance to the City Council .

Motion Passed Unanimously

Unfinished Business

5. Presentation on Zoning Code Re-write by Bob Barber with Orion Planning.

Bob Barber with Orion presented a presentation o the Zoning Code Rewrite.

Mr. Barber and Development Coordinator, Pat Rich answered questions from Commissioners, and the public.

6. Tree Ordinance Re-write introduction.

Development Coordinator, Pat Rich gave an introduction on the rewrite of the Tree Ordinance.

He also informed the Commissioners and the residents that we will have a link on the City's Website for review and comments.

Open Public Comments to Non-Agenda Items

Paul Brown, and Don Duff asked questions on the Zoning Codes rewrite

Tim Sterling and Pigi White had comments on the Tree Ordinance rewrite.

Joann Homer asked about the Dog Park.

Bill Manning spoke about enforcing the codes.

Commissioners' Comments

None

Communication / Announcements

7. The next City Council meeting is Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

The next Planning Commission meeting is Tuesday, February 27, 2024.

Adjourn or Recess

Commissioner Brewer made a motion, second by Commissioner DeBrow to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Motion Passed Unanimously