

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Monday, May 18, 2020

11:00 A.M.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

222 EAST KIRKLAND STREET

Covington, Louisiana

THE COMPLIANCE WITH PHASE 1 OF GOVERNOR EDWARDS REOPENING OF THE STATE PRACTICING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND RECOMMENDING FACE MASK TO BE WORN IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER WAS ENFORCED DURING THIS MEETING.

BOA Members

JAN BUTLER – CHAIRPERSON
THOMAS HUVAL- VICE CHAIRPERSON
EDMOND d’HEMECOURT
JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM
KEITISHA YOUNG

Staff

NAHKETAH BAGBY, CITY PLANNER
JULIAN“ROD” RODRIGUE, CITY ATTORNEY
JOANN RUCKER, SECRETARY
CHRISTOPHER BROWN, BUILDING OFFICIAL
BOB MOEINIAN, CITY ENGINEER

Commissioner Jan Butler called the meeting to order at 11:00AM.

Roll Call:

Ms. Butler	Yes
Mr. Cunningham	Yes
Mr. d’Hemecourt	Yes
Mr. Huval	Yes
Ms. Young	Yes

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Huval, Commissioner d’Hemecourt, Commissioner Young and Commissioner Cunningham

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Nahketah Bagby, City Planner, Rod Rodrigue, City Attorney and JoAnn Rucker, Secretary.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Jan Butler.

Commissioner Huval made a motion to approve the December 16, 2019 minutes. **Commissioner d’Hemecourt** seconded the motion.

VI **BOA CASES:**

THE BELOW CASE WAS SCHEDULED FOR THE MARCH 16,2020 MEETING, WHICH WAS CANCELLED BASED ON DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID- 19 VIRUS

1. Case No. 20-03-01BOA -Request: A variance request from Appendix B –Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Part 4- General

Provisions Sec. 4.1 Off-Street Parking - from the required 20 parking spaces to 13 parking spaces. The property is located at 1026 North Collins Blvd. Covington, LA- St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana. The property is the location of Elliot Electric and is located near the north intersection of North Collins Blvd and North Lee Road.

Petitioner: Michael A Stein, PE, Stein Lasseigne, Inc.

Owner: Elliot Partners, LTD

Mr. Michael Stein of Stein Lasseigne, Inc. led the discussion.

Mr. Bob Jones, Area Manager of Elliot Supply made a brief statement.

Commissioner Butler made a motion to approve the requested variance on **Case #20-03-01BOA**. **Commissioner d’Hemecourt** seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Ms. Butler	Yes
Mr. Cunningham	Yes
Mr. d’Hemecourt	Yes
Mr. Huval	Yes
Ms. Young	Yes

THE BELOW CASE WAS SCHEDULED FOR THE APRIL 20, 2020 MEETING, WHICH WAS CANCELLED BASED ON DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID- 19 VIRUS

1. Case No. 20-04-02BOA -Request: A variance request from Appendix B –Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Part 4- General Provisions *4.209. Interior landscaping and parking lot requirements.* - Landscaping at end of rows. Every parking row shall terminate in a landscaped island containing trees. The property is located at 223 W. 28th Ave. (CAC Hope House) Covington, LA- St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana.

Petitioner: Thomas Mitchell –CAC – Hope House

Owner: Thomas Mitchell –CAC – Hope House

Michael Hunley, MSH Architects led the discussion.

Thomas Mitchell, Executive Director gave a brief statement.

Nahketah Bagby, City Planner gave a clarification for the request for the variance.

Commissioner Huval made a motion to approve the requested variance on **Case #20-04-02BOA**. **Commissioner Butler** seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Ms. Butler	Yes
Mr. Cunningham	Yes
Mr. d’Hemecourt	Yes
Mr. Huval	Yes
Ms. Young	Yes

THE BELOW CASES ARE THE REGULAR CASES SCHEDULED FOR MAY 18, 2020

1. Case No. 20-05-03BOA -Request: A variance request from Appendix B –Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Part 4- General Provisions 4.209. *Interior landscaping and parking lot requirements.* - Landscaping at end of rows. Every parking row shall terminate in a landscaped island containing trees. Also, variance request from 4.206. Live oak protection requirements to allow the removal of 6 (six) existing live oaks.

Petitioner: Chris Russo - DDGPC

Owner: McCakman L.L.C

Mr. Paul Whittington of Duplantis Design Group led the discussion.

Rod Rodrigue, City Attorney made a brief statement.

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the requested variance on **Case #20-05-03BOA**. **Commissioner Butler** seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Ms. Butler	Yes
Mr. Cunningham	Yes
Mr. d’Hemecourt	Yes
Mr. Huval	Yes
Ms. Young	Yes

2. Case No. 20-05-04 BOA -Request: A variance request from Appendix B –Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Part 4- General Provisions Sec. 4.1. - Off-street parking *from the required 25 to 23 parking spaces, from Sec. 4.2. - Landscaping and tree preservation- Sec. 4.202. Applicability, Sec. 4.208. Street planting requirements and Sec 4.209. Interior landscaping and parking lot requirements.* - Landscaping at end of rows. Every parking row shall terminate in a landscaped island containing trees and Sec 4.210 *Buffer planting areas.*

Terri Turner- Marse led the discussion.

Vincent Cangiamilla of FLWB Architects gave a brief statement.

Commissioner Huval made a motion to approve the requested variance on **Case #20-05-04BOA**. **Commissioner Butler** seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Ms. Butler	Yes
Mr. Cunningham	Yes
Mr. d'Hemecourt	Yes
Mr. Huval	Yes
Ms. Young	Yes

Other Business- None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:41am.