

HOUMA BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Official Proceedings of March 26, 2012

Government Tower 2nd Floor, Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room

1. The Chairman, Ms. Katie Sims, called the March 26, 2012 Meeting of the Houma Board of Adjustments to order at 2:10 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Mr. Pete Konos.
2. Upon Roll Call, those members present were Ms. Katie Sims, Mr. David Blum, Mr. Pete Konos, Mr. John Tipton, Jr. and alternate member Mr. Willie Newton. Members absent were Mr. Joe Harris. Also present was Mr. Patrick Gordon, Planning & Zoning Director for Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Gordon announced that Mr. Chris Pulaski would not at the March Board of Adjustments meeting due to another Parish commitment.

4. AGENDA ITEM 4, APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2012.

It was moved by Mr. Konos, seconded by Mr. Tipton, that the minutes of the February 27, 2012 meeting be approved. THERE BEING NO OPPOSITION, THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Structure Variance: rear yard variance from the required 20' to 5' to place temporary office trailer, property located at 275 Corporate Drive (C-2), *Morris P. Hebert, Inc., applicant.*

The Chairman recognized Mr. Morris Hebert of 275 Corporate Drive who stated that the variance being requested is to allow for the placement of a temporary office trailer.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Gordon who stated that the applicant has indicated that the office trailer would be in place for a period of 12 months. He stated that the adjacent property along the rear subject property line contains a drainage ditch and landscape material which creates an undevelopable buffer along the property line. He stated that the variance will not likely affect or impede adjacent properties. He stated that a site visit was performed, adjacent property owners were notified and one (1) call was received with no objections. Mr. Gordon stated that Staff would recommend approval of the variance request.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Konos who asked if the variance would transfer to future owners of the property and Mr. Gordon stated no.

Subsequent to discussion among the members of the Board, Mr. Blum moved, seconded by Mr. Konos, "THAT the Houma Board of Adjustments approve the request".

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Blum, Konos, Tipton and Newton

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

NOT VOTING: Sims

ABSENT: Harris

b. Structure Variance: rear and side yard variances from the required 30' to 3'0" for rear and from the required 15' to 7' for side to place an attached carport to the existing house, property located at 7456 Main Street (C-3), *Melvin Calloway, applicant*.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Melvin Calloway of 7456 Main Street who stated that his variance request is to allow for the construction of a carport to his existing house.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Gordon who stated that this structure is like most of the surrounding structures which pre-date zoning for this area. He stated that although the property is zoned C-3 (Neighborhood Commercial) the use is residential so the R-3 (Multi-Family Residential-High Density) District standards apply. He stated that a site visit was conducted, adjacent property owners were notified and Staff received three (3) calls with no objections. Mr. Gordon stated that Staff recommends approval of the variance request.

Subsequent to discussion among the members of the Board, Mr. Blum moved, seconded by Mr. Newton, "THAT the Houma Board of Adjustments approve the request".

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Blum, Konos, Tipton and Newton

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: Harris

6. NEXT MEETING DATE:


The next scheduled Board of Adjustments meeting will be held on April 16, 2012.

7. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBER COMMENT:

The Chairman recognized Mr. Blum who stated he may not be in attendance at the April 16, 2012 Board of Adjustments meeting due to having Jury Duty.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

9. Mr. Blum moved, seconded by Mr. Konos, Mr. Tipton and Mr. Newton: "THAT, there being no further business to come before the Houma Board of Adjustments, the meeting be adjourned at 2:23 p.m." NO OPPOSITION, MOTION CARRIED, CHAIRMAN DECLARED MOTION ADOPTED AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED.



Joe Harris, Secretary-Treasurer