

Board of Zoning Appeals  
Minutes  
January 8, 2008

I. Call to order

Chairman Guy Taylor called the regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals to order on January 8, 2008 at 5:30PM in the Building Department Conference Room, 1301 Palm Boulevard. Other members present were Suzanne Galloway, Arnold Karig and Mike Layman, also the zoning administrator, Douglas Kerr, was present. Tom Miller was absent. Mr. Kerr explained that the meeting was advertised in the paper and the agendas for the meeting posted at City Hall in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

II. Nomination and Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Mr. Taylor asked for nominations for Chairman. Mr. Karig nominated Guy Taylor and the nomination was seconded. With no other nominations the vote was unanimous in favor of electing Mr. Taylor as Chairman.

Mr. Taylor asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. Layman nominated Arnold Karig and the nomination was seconded. With no other nominations the vote was unanimous in favor of electing Mr. Karig as Vice Chairman.

III. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was the review of the minutes of the December 11, 2007 meeting. Mr. Karig made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Mr. Layman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

IV. Home Occupations

Mr. Taylor explained that the Board acted as a quasi-judicial body and swore in all members of the audience that would be giving testimony.

**1105 Palm Boulevard**

Mr. Kerr explained that the request was for a special exception to allow the establishment of a consulting business that would provide technical, planning, facilitation and policy analysis services to government, NGO and private clients. He explained that the application indicated that the home will be used for office work only, that there will be no business related traffic coming to the residence

and that there will be no employees working in the residence other than family members.

The applicant, Ms. Debra Hernandez, introduced herself and explained that she would be happy to answer any questions. Mr. Karig made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Layman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### **19 Lake Village Lane**

Mr. Kerr explained that the next request was for a special exception to allow the establishment of a video production business at 19 Lake Village Lane. He explained that there would be no exterior evidence of a business, no business related traffic coming to the house and no employees working in the home other than family members.

The applicant, Ms. Catherine van Zutphen, addressed the Board and explained that she would be going to various sites to shoot video and she would then edit the video at home on her computer and that the only visible activity would be her camera going in and out of the home. Mr. Karig made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Layman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### **V. Miscellaneous Business**

Mr. Kerr explained that typically in the beginning of each year the City Attorney would give a briefing to the Board and asked if the Board was in favor of having this happen at the next meeting. All members were in agreement.

### **VI. Adjournment**

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.