

Board of Zoning Appeals
Minutes
February 7, 2017

I. Call to order

The regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals was called to order on February 7, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 1207 Palm Boulevard. Members present were Arnold Karig, Elizabeth Campsen, Pete Doherty, Carolyn Holscher and Glen Thornburg; Secretary Douglas Kerr was also present.

Mr. Kerr acknowledged that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with State law and the properties had been posted.

II. Nomination and Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Ms. Holscher nominated Arnold Karig for Chairman, and Mr. Thornburg seconded the nomination. With no other nominations, the vote was unanimous to elect Dr. Karig as Chairman.

Ms. Holscher nominated Mr. Thornburg for Vice Chairman, and Ms. Campsen seconded the nomination. With no other nominations, the vote was unanimous to elect Mr. Thornburg as Vice Chairman.

III. Approval of minutes

Ms. Holscher made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2016 meeting, and Mr. Thornburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Home Occupations

Dr. Karig explained that the Board acted as a quasi-judicial body; therefore, all comments made were treated in the same manner as court testimony, requiring that any person who would like to speak to the Board be sworn in. He then swore in all members of the audience who would be speaking.

2500 Waterway Boulevard

Mr. Kerr explained that the applicant was requesting a Special Exception to allow the establishment of a construction business in his home at 2500 Waterway Boulevard. He stated that the application stated that the house would be used for office work only, no business related traffic would be coming to the house and no outside employees would be working from the home.

Mr. Karig asked the applicant Mr. Davies if he wanted to add anything to what has been presented. Mr. Davies stated that he would not have any materials stored at the house and reiterated that the house would be used for office work only.

Mr. Doherty asked if the business was commercial or residential construction. Mr. Davies answered primarily residential.

When Mr. Thornburg asked if any payments would be handled at the house, Mr. Davies answered that payments would happen at the job site.

Ms. Campsen moved to approve the request. Ms. Holscher seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

5 Grand Pavilion Drive

The next request was to allow the establishment of an executive search business at 5 Grand Pavilion Drive. The applicant has stated no clients would be coming to the house in connection with the business and the house would be used for office work only.

Mr. Thornburg asked if there would be interviews occurring at the house. The applicant Mr. Ryan Allard answered that most of his clients are in San Francisco so interviews typically take place on the phone or the internet.

Mr. Doherty moved to approve the request and Ms. Campsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

1 Yacht Harbor Court

The next request was to allow the establishment of an executive search business at 1 Yacht Harbor Court; this applicant has also stated that no clients would come to the house in connection with the business and the house would be used for office work only. Director Kerr noted that the applicant had been approved for an in-home business at his previous address, but he had moved and needed to reapply.

Mr. Thornburg moved to approve the request and Ms. Holscher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Executive Session

Ms. Holscher made a motion to go into Executive Session, in accordance with S.C. Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2), for the annual briefing and Mr. Doherty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

When the Board came out of Executive Session, Dr. Karig announced that no actions and no votes had been taken; only legal advice was provided.

VI. Adjournment

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.