BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING

MINUTES

DECEMBER 12, 2018

2:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Sandie Lyman, Vice Chair
Michael Bomar, Member
Denise Chase, Member

ABSENT:

Paul Skipper, Chairman
Jake Holehouse, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Andrew Dickman, City Attorney
Wesley Wright, Community Development Director
Laura Marley, Planner II
Brandon Berry, Planner I
Mary Jo Murphy, Deputy City Clerk

1. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

City Attorney Dickman informed the applicants that there was a quorum present, but in order to approve a variance, the vote needs to be the majority of the entire board. Therefore, if the applicants desired to have a continuance until the January 30, 2019 meeting to have the benefit of having five members present, the option was available and needed to be requested.

Hearing none, Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked for audience comments.

2. Audience Comments

There were no audience comments.

3. Approval of Minutes

a. 11/14/18

Member Bomar made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Chase and unanimously approved by a voice vote (3 yeses – 0 nos).

4. Action Items

Case 18-000026 – Carol Markovich for Camelot Condominium Owner Association
Address: 105 18th Ave
Request: The applicant requests a variance from Section 6.15, Fences and walls, of the City of St. Pete Beach Land Development Code to replace a fence which exceeds four feet in height in a required front yard setback.

Brandon Berry gave Staff's presentation to the board, and the recommendation was for denial of the proposed variance.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked the applicant to come forward.

Carol Markovich, 587 77th Avenue North, St. Petersburg 33702, manager of Camelot, spoke about the subject deteriorating fence, possibly removing the present wall and installing a six-foot fence.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the application. There were no comments.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition to the application.

The following person spoke in favor of Case No. 18-00026.

Michael Walsh, board member of Camelot by the Sea, spoke in regard to removing the present deteriorating wall and installing a fence at the same height that does not obstruct visibility.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked for further public comment.

Hearing none, Vice Chairwoman Lyman closed the public hearing portion and opened it for discussion among the Board members.

Member Bomar made a motion to approve Case No. 18-00026 with the stipulation that the fence be the same openness as it is now and not restricted in visibility. The motion was seconded by Member Chase and unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote, (3 yeses – 0 nos).

a. Case No. 18-00031 – Eric Hughes of A-1 Fence for Jennifer Iavarone
Address: 510 Boca Ciega Isle Dr
Request: The applicant requests a variance from Section 6.15, Fences and walls, of the City of St. Pete Beach Land Development Code to install a fence which exceeds four feet in height in a required front yard setback.

Brandon Berry gave Staff's presentation to the board, and the recommendation was for denial of the proposed variance.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked the applicant to come forward.

Eric Hughes, 4321 63rd Way North, Kenneth City, Florida 33709, A-1 Fence, spoke about the subject lot, possibility of installing a 6- or 8-foot fence, defining the entryway to the home, security concerns and presented a written letter from a neighbor to the east stating no objection to the variance.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked if anyone would like to speak in regard to the application. There were no comments.

Vice Chairwoman Lyman asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition to the application.

Hearing none, Vice Chairwoman Lyman closed the public hearing portion and opened it for discussion among the Board members.

Member Chase made a motion to approve Case No. 18-00031 with an 8-foot structure. The motion was seconded by Member Bomar and unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote, (3 yeses – 0 nos).

5. Adjournment – Next Meeting 1/30/2019

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Attest:

Rebecca C. Haynes

Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

Paul Skipper, Chairman

Minutes approved on: 1/30/19