

City of Smyrna

2800 King Street Smyrna, Georgia 30080

Meeting Minutes - Final License and Variance Board

Wednesday, June 28, 2017

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

1. Roll Call

Present: 3 - Tammi Saddler Jones, Brian Marcos and Scott Stokes

Also Present: 3 - Christiana Craddock, Russell Martin and Joey Staubes

2. Call to Order

Chairperson Tammi Saddler Jones called the June 28, 2017 meeting of the License and Variance Board to order at 10:00am.

Business

V17-033

<u>Public Hearing</u> - Variance Request - V17-033 - Allow side setback reduction from 10 feet to 0 feet for the construction of a carport on a single family residence - 0.18 acres - Land Lot 554 - 3683 Ashwood Drive - Givenski and Deborah Rogers

Attachments: Staff Memo - V17-033

Application

Notification

Chairperson Tammi Saddler Jones announced the public hearing. The applicants, Mr. and Mrs. Givenski and Deborah Rogers, came forward and said the houses in their neighborhood were built in the 1950s and most have carports. He said they bought the house in 2012 and there was a prior renovation done on it, turning the carport into a part of the house as an addition. Mr. Rogers said they were doing minor renovations on their home and wanted to add a cover for the driveway on the other side of the house, where they park their cars.

City Planner Joey Staubes said the proposed carport was on the west side of the house, and there were no structures on the adjacent property that would be close to this structure. He added that the adjacent property's driveway was also on the west side of their house, so those owners would still have the ability to do renovations to their home without it being close to this addition. He said staff had seen similar variances and recommended approval with two conditions: that the addition be built in substantial compliance with the site plan submitted and gutters and downspouts are installed to divert stormwater away from the adjacent properties.

Chairperson Tammi Saddler Jones asked the applicant if he agreed to the conditions, and he said yes. She asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak on the item, and there was no one.

A motion was made by Boardmember Scott Stokes to approve with conditions as

listed Item V17-033, a Variance Request (V17-033) to allow a side setback reduction from 10 feet to 0 feet for the construction of a carport on a single family residence on 0.18 acres on Land Lot 554 located at 3683 Ashwood Drive by the applicants Givenski and Deborah Rogers; seconded by Boardmember Brian Marcos.

- 1. Approval of the requested variance shall be conditioned upon the development of the property in substantial compliance with the site plan submitted with the variance application.
- 2. Gutters and downspouts will be installed to divert stormwater away from adjacent properties.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Tammi Saddler Jones, Brian Marcos and Scott Stokes

V17-034

<u>Public Hearing</u> - Variance Request - V17-034 - Allow front setback reduction from 35 feet to 30 feet for construction of an attached two car garage on an existing single family residence - 0.39 acres - Land Lot 703 - 1968 Inverness Road - Frances Pollard

Attachments: Staff Memo - V17-034

Application

Chairperson Tammi Saddler Jones announced the public hearing. Mr. Roy Taylor, architect for this project, came forward and said the home was in a reviving neighborhood and they wanted to make an addition on the home and take the carport and turn it into an enclosed garage. He said in order to fit the enclosed garage, it was requiring a reduction in the setback. Boardmember Scott Stokes asked for clarification regarding the existing carport and garage.

City Planner Joey Staubes said the garage will be attached to the house, and therefore would not be subject to accessory structure regulations. He said the existing house is 55 feet from the front property line, and with the addition it will be about 30 feet from the front property line, so there would still be a lot of available area in front of the home. He said the addition would be in character with the rest of the neighborhood, and the Board had approved similar variances previously. He said staff heard no objections from any surrounding property owners and they recommended approval with the standard condition that the addition be built in substantial compliance with the site plan submitted.

Chairperson Tammi Saddler Jones asked Mr. Taylor if he accepted the condition, and he said yes. She asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak on the item, and there was no one.

A motion was made by Boardmember Scott Stokes to approve with conditions as listed Item V17-034, a Variance Request (V17-034) to allow a front setback reduction from 35 feet to 30 feet for construction of an attached two car garage on an existing single family residence on 0.39 acres on Land Lot 703 located at 1968 Inverness Road by the applicant Frances Pollard; seconded by Boardmember Brian Marcos.

1. Approval of the requested variance shall be conditioned upon the development of the property in substantial compliance with the site plan submitted with the variance application.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Tammi Saddler Jones, Brian Marcos and Scott Stokes

4. Approval of Minutes:

2017-242 Approval of the minutes from the June 14, 2017 meeting of the

License and Variance Board.

Attachments: 06-14-2017 June 14, 2017 LVB Minutes - FINAL.pdf

A motion was made by Boardmember Scott stokes to approve Item 2017-242 for the approval of the minutes from the June 14, 2017 meeting of the License and Variance Board; seconded by Boardmember Brian Marcos.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Tammi Saddler Jones, Brian Marcos and Scott Stokes

5. Adjournment

Chairperson Tammi Saddler Jones declared the June 28, 2017 meeting of the License and Variance Board adjourned at 10:10am.