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MINUTES PLANNING & APPEALS COMMISSION February 9, 2022 5:15PM

Present: Lance Sabbe, William Kitts, Delores Harrison (Zoom), Dave Bowers (Zoom), Grace Green (Alt), Anita Collins (Voting Alt.)

Staff/Public: John Hunter, Brian Corry, Al Verhyn, Cathy Slay-Chipp, Charles Day, Charles Dorminey, Scott Toney

Call to Order: Chairman Lance Sabbe called the meeting to order at 5:15PM

Items of Business:

- Approval of January 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes: Minutes were reviewed. Mr. Kitts made a motion to approve and Ms. Harrison seconded. The motion was approved 5-0.

Planning Applications:

- CU 21-04 -1102 L Street – Open Yard Storage of Vehicles: Mr. Hunter introduced the staff report, and made a recommendation to recommend denying the application. The applicant was not present. The public hearing was opened, no one spoke, and the public hearing was closed. Mr. Kitts made a motion to recommended denial and Ms. Harrison seconded. The motion was approved 5-0.

Zoning Applications:

- RZ 22-02 – 1911 L St & 2207 Bartow St. – Rezone from General Residential (GR) to Local Commercial (LC): Mr. Hunter introduced the staff report and made a recommendation to approve the application. Ms. Slay-Chipp was available for questions. Discussion centered upon the applicants intended future use, the potential uses in the requested zoning, and distance requirements for sale of regulated items (alcohol, tobacco, etc.) The public hearing was opened, and there were no speakers for or against the application. Mr. Bowers made a motion to approve with conditions – including that the lots be combined, buffers be instituted, access be restricted to Bartow St., and that the PAC approve a site development plan when future development occurred. After discussion with Staff and the City Attorney regarding these conditions, the motion was withdrawn. Ms. Collins made a motion to defer so that the City Attorney could answer questions regarding distance requirements for tobacco products. Mr. Kitts seconded, and the motion was approved 4-1 (Bowers).

- VP 22-01 – 708 London Street – Reduce Rear Setback from 10’ to 5’: Mr. Hunter introduced the staff report with a recommendation to approve. Discussion centered upon the side setback, the rear setback and if it would be impacted, and the size of the garage. The public hearing was opened. Mr. Verhyn (adjacent property owner) spoke and said he felt his concerns from the previous application had been addressed. Mr. Bowers made a motion to deny the application and Mr. Kitts seconded. The motion to deny was approved 3-2 (Sabbe, Collins).

Project:

- Zoning Ordinance Revision Project Phase II: Mr. Hunter indicated that a “final” clean draft was received that day and would be distributed next week. The goal was just to “tighten” the draft and review for typos or items that might conflict or be inconsistent. After “final” review, public input and a session with the City Commission will be scheduled.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM