City of Alexandria

301 King St., Room 2400 Alexandria, VA 22314



Action Docket - Final

Monday, October 19, 2020 7:00 PM

Electronic Public Hearing

Board of Zoning Appeals

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic emergency, the October 19, 2020 meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), the Continuity of Government ordinance adopted by the City Council on June 20, 2020 or Section 4-0.01(g) in HB29 and HB30, enacted by the 2020 Virginia General Assembly (Virginia Acts of Assembly Ch. 1283 and 1289), to undertake essential business. All of the members of the Board and staff are participating from remote locations through Zoom Webinar. This meeting is being held electronically, unless a determination is made that it is safe enough to be held in person in the City Council Chamber at 301 King Street, Alexandria, VA. Electronic access will be provided in either event. The meeting can be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on the government channel 70, streaming on the City's website, and can be accessed via Zoom by the following link:

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For reasonable disability accommodation, contact Jackie Cato at jackie.cato@alexandriava.gov or 703.746.3810, Virginia Relay 711.

1 Call To Order

Mr. Altenburg called the October 19, 2020 Board of Zoning Appeals to order at 7:00 p.m. Daniel Poretz was absent. All other Board Members were present at the call to order.

Unfinished Business and Items Previously Deferred

2 BZA #2020-00014

401 Argyle Drive

Public Hearing and consideration of a Special Exception to construct a 6.00 foot fence in the secondary front yard on a corner lot; zoned: R-8/Single-Family.

Applicant: Crislyn Lumia

Attachments: BZA2020-0014 Staff Report

On a motion by Mr. Yoo, seconded by Ms. Nguyen, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to approve BZA #2020-00014 with conditions. The motion carried 6 to 0.

3 BZA #2020-00016

5201 Dover Place

Public Hearing and consideration of a Variance to construct a deck in the required rear yard; zoned: RT/Townhouse.

Applicant: Endalkachew L. Asfaw

Attachments: BZA2020-00016 Staff Report

Additional Materials

There was a motion to approve BZA #2019-00016, by Mr. Perna and seconded by Ms. Nguyen. The vote on the motion was 3 in favor and 3 against, with Ms. Nguyen, Mr. Perna, and Mr. Chan voting in favor and Mr. Yoo, Mr. Altenburg, Mr. Waclawski voting against. Due to the lack of 4 concurring affirmative votes, the variance was denied.

New Business

4 BZA #2019-00007

2 East Mason Avenue

Public Hearing and consideration for a Special Exception to retain a 6.00 foot fence in the secondary front yard; zoned: RB/Townhouse.

Applicant: Elizabeth Jardim

Attachments: BZA2019-00007 Staff Report

Additional Materials

On a motion by Mr. Yoo, seconded by Mr. Waclawski, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to approve BZA #2019-00007. The motion carried 5 to 1, with Ms. Nguyen voting against.

5 BZA #2020-00018

611 Cameron Street

Public Hearing and consideration of an Appeal of a Zoning Determination Letter;

zoned: RM/Townhouse.

Applicant: James B. Michels, represented by Clarissa K. Pintado, Esq.

Attachments: BZA2020-00018 Staff Report

Additional Materials

On a motion by Mr. Perna, seconded by Mr. Yoo, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to deny BZA #2020-00018, as submitted. The motion carried 6 to 0

6 BZA #2020-00019

520 & 522 Queen Street

Public Hearing and consideration of a Variance to request an expansion of noncomplying access to parking from the street rather than an alley or interior court; zoned: RM/Townhouse.

Applicants: Michael and Lori Rowen

Attachments: BZA2020-00019 Staff Report

Additional Materials

On a motion by Ms. Nguyen, seconded by Mr. Yoo, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to deny BZA #2020-00019. The motion carried 5 to 1, with Mr. Altenburg voting in favor of the request.

Minutes

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Consideration of the minutes from the September 14, 2020 Board of Zoning Appeals Hearing.

Zoning Appeals Hearing.

<u>Attachments:</u> September 14, 2020 Hearing Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Perna, seconded by Mr. Yoo, the Board of Zoning Appeals voted to approve the minutes of September 14, 2020, as submitted. The motion carried on a vote of 6 to 0.

8 Adjournment

The Board of Zoning Appeals hearing was adjourned at 10:02 pm.