

Minutes to the City of Wilmington
Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 5:00 PM

Call to Order

The September 3, 2020 meeting of the Wilmington Planning & Zoning Commission was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Executive Secretary Krusinski.

This evenings' Planning & Zoning meeting is being held remotely using a video and audio recording program consistent with Executive Order 2020-07 which was ordered by Governor Pritzker on March 16, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This order addresses the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120, requiring or relating to in-person attendance by members of a public body. Specifically, (1) the requirement in 5 ILCS 120/2.01 that "members of a public body must be physically present" is suspended; and (2) the conditions in 5 ILCS 120/7 limiting when remote participation is permitted are suspended. More importantly, based on what we know now about the coronavirus pandemic and prudent precautions as a result thereof, this meeting is being conducted in ways to provide the maximum amount of protection to our board, staff and the community. We apologize for any inconvenience to anyone, but we ask for understanding and compliance temporarily. Thank you.

Roll Call

Upon Roll Call by the Clerk the following members answered "Here" or "Present":

Commissioners Humphries, Jones, Clennon, Smith, Tryner

Commissioner's Absent

Duffy, Walinski

Quorum

There being a sufficient number of members of the corporate authorities in attendance to constitute a quorum, the meeting was declared in order.

Other Officials in Attendance

Also, in attendance were the City Administrator Joie Ziller and Executive Secretary Tessa Krusinski.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Smith made a motion and Commissioner Jones seconded to approve the July 9, 2020 meeting minutes as written and have them placed on file after amendment is made

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 Clennon, Tryner, Smith, Jones, Humphries

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2 Duffy, Walinski
Motion passed.

Public Hearing

Petitioner: William Weidling
Location: 601 Meadowood Ln.
[PIN 03-17-35-211-033]
Request: Variance

Commissioner Jones made a motion and Commissioner Clennon seconded to open the public hearing at 5:05 p.m.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 Clennon, Tryner, Smith, Jones, Humphries
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2 Duffy, Walinski
Motion passed.

City Administrator Ziller explained that the petitioner Owen Black is requesting a variance for the height of an accessory building he is construction which will be 4½ feet higher than the principal structure. City Administrator Ziller informed the Commission that no public comments have been received by City Hall regarding this variance request, all notifications were sent property owners within 250 feet of the subject property, a notice announcing the public hearing was published in the newspaper on June 17, 2020 and a sign was posted on the property.

The Commission reviewed the memorandum (attached) City Planner Rodney Tonelli prepared for the Commission.

Commissioner Smith made a motion and Commissioner Clennon seconded to close the public hearing at 5:11 p.m.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 Clennon, Tryner, Smith, Jones, Humphries
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2 Duffy, Walinski
Motion passed.

Commissioners Review/Approval/Recommendation

Commissioner Jones made a motion and Commissioner Smith seconded for the Commission to recommend to the City Council to approve the variance request.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 Clennon, Tryner, Smith, Jones, Humphries
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 2 Duffy, Walinski

Motion passed.

Proposed Text Amendment to Section 150.63

The Commission discussed possible amendments to Section 150.63 regarding caretakers taking residence in industrial buildings due to fire code hazards.


Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Commissioner Clennon and seconded by Commissioner Smith. Upon voice vote, the motion carried. The Wilmington Planning & Zoning meeting held on September 3, 2020 adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tessa Krusinski
Executive Secretary