

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

September 29, 2020

6:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

Development Review Board

Dr. Ewen Thomson - Chair
Rick Cain - Member
Dr. Barbara Vandermeer - Member
Debra Neil-Mareci - Member
Uretha Bastic - Vice Chair
Brent Hartman - Member
Rebecca Herrin - Member
Sophia Corugedo - Student Member
Lawrence Calderon - Staff Liaison

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Dr. Ewen Thomson, Debra Neill-Mareci, Rebecca Herrin, Dr. Barbara VanderMeer, Brent Hatman, Rick Cain, Jamie Bell

Staff Present: Lawrence Calderon, Yvette Thomas, Elizabeth Chazulle

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda with modification to add a discussion about DRB Presentation to the City Commission.

Motion By: Member Neill-Mareci
Second By: Member Cain
Motion Passes following a 6-0 vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[200361.](#)

Draft Minutes of the August 25, 2020 Development Review Board Meeting (B)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff is requesting that the Development Review Board review the draft minutes from the August 25, 2020 meeting and vote to approve the minutes.

Staff to the Development Review Board - Review and approve the draft minutes.

Motion to approve minutes

Motion By: Member Neill-Mareci
Second By: Member Cain
Motion Passes following a 6-0 vote.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

[200360.](#)

Variance for Randy Wagner (B)

Petition DB-20-86 VAR: Request for a variance to reduce the north, front yard setback from 20 feet to 15 feet to allow expansion of an existing Single family dwelling, Tax Parcel # 06454-005-000. Zoned RSF-3: Single-Family Residential (5.8 dwelling units per acre). Located at 2719 NW 3rd Ave.

RECOMMENDATION

Review Petition DB-20-86 VAR, for compliance with the criteria for granting a variance; Sec. 30-3.55

Motion to approve the request based on a finding that the application meets the criteria for granting a variance.

Motion By: Member Bostic

Seconded By: Hartman

Motion passes following a 6-0 vote.

MEMBER COMMENT

Discussion about the Clerk's request for an advisory report to the City Commission. The board reviewed the memo from the Clerks' office and agreed to schedule the items for discussion at the first available meeting.

There is interest in continued discussion about a joint meeting with the City Plan Board, the City Commission and to get a presentation from the consultants on the Comprehensive Plan update.

Member Neill-Mareci referred to the new role of the board in reviewing variances and the need to receive training on a regular basis. She noted that the board sees fewer development review petitions which limits public input in many of the new developments. She also commented that periodic meeting with the City Plan Board would be helpful and an occasional meeting with the City Commission would be an opportunity to discuss their duties and concerns that may arise from time to time.

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT

7:28 PM