

BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 23, 2020

The Building and Standards Commission (BSC) convened remotely via video conference for a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. The meeting was available for viewing at http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Chair Andrea Freiburger, Vice Chair Pablo Avila; Commissioners: Jessica Mangrum, Natalya Sheddan, Timothy Stostad, James Briceno, Wordy Thompson, Elizabeth Mueller, Sade Ogunbode, Edgar Farrera, and John Green. Ex Officio Commissioner Chief Thomas Vocke was absent.

Staff in Attendance:

Melanie Alley, Code Review Analyst/BSC Coordinator; Robert Moore, Division Manager; Marlayna Wright, Investigator; James Candelas, Program Specialist; Farah Presley, Inspector; Justin Brummer, Interim Field Supervisor; Kecia Lara, Field Supervisor; Joseph Lucas, Investigator; John Hale, Investigator; Irma Ybarra, Inspector; and Brandon Carr, Assistant City Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Freiburger called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Elizabeth Mueller moved to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2020 regular meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Pablo Avila. Commissioner Mueller abstained from voting. The August meeting minutes were approved on a 10-0-1 vote. Commissioner Green abstained from the vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Due to lack of connectivity that could not be resolved, Agenda Items 1, 2, and 3, listed below, were not heard.

Returning Case(s):

Case Number(s)	Street Address	Owner(s)	
1. CL 2019-036878	7010 Carwill Drive	Evelyn McKinley Life Estate	
Case(s):			
2. CL 2020-116587	911 E. 6 th Street	Johnnie B. & Ilesta Alexander c/o Johnnies's Antiques & Collectibles	

3.	1516 Burton Drive aka 1601 Royal Crest		Canyon Oaks, LP
		Drive aka Solaris Apartments	
	CL 2020-136176	Building A-1 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136179	Building A-2 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136375	Building B-5 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136418	Building B-9 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136426	Building B-10 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136436	Building C-6 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136439	Building E-1 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136452	Building E-3 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136458	Building E-4 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136461	Building E-7 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136465	Building E-9 (Exterior)	
	CL 2020-136474	Retaining Wall by the Parking Lot Between B	Buildings E-3 & E-4

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

4. Discussion and planning regarding future Building and Standards Commission retreat.

A future Commission retreat was discussed by the Commission. Commissioner Mueller stated that she had not been to a retreat. Chair Freiburger stated that the retreats are very useful for new commissioners. Commissioner Mangrum stated that she would be stepping down before the end of the year and that Spring may be better in order to allow time for the Council Member to find a replacement so that the new commission member could attend. COVID-19 and social distancing concerns were also expressed. After several options were discussed, the Chair concluded that the commissioners were leaning towards having a retreat in the Spring. Due to the lack of connectivity, no vote was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Freiburger adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.