

REGULAR MEETING of the BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT March 11, 2024, AT 5:30PM Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, Room 1001 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, email elaine.ramirez@austintexas.gov or call 512-974-2202.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

| Thomas Ates | Jeffery Bowen |
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| Jessica Cohen (Chair) | Janel Venzant |
| Melissa Hawthorne (Vice-Chair)) | Michael Von Ohlen |
| Brian Poteet | Yung-ju Kim |
| Marcel Gutierrez-Garza | Kelly Blume (Alternate) |
| Margaret Shahrestani | Suzanne Valentine (Alternate) |

The Board of Adjustment may go into closed session to receive advice from legal counsel regarding any item on this agenda (Private consultation with legal counsel – Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code).

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first (4) four speakers signed up/register prior (no later than noon the day before the meeting) to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Board of Adjustment Regular meeting on January 8, 2024.

On-Line Link: DRAFT MINUTES January 8, 2024

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Discussion and action on the following cases.

New Variance cases:

2. C15-2024-0004 Leah Peraldo for Paige Mycoskie 3200 Stratford Hills Lane

On-Line Link: ITEM02 ADV PACKET; AE REPORT; NO PRESENTATION

The applicant is requesting the following variance(s) from the Land Development Code, Section 25-2-899 (*Fences as Accessory Uses*) (F) (1) to increase the height permitted from six (6) feet (required) to twelve (12) feet (requested), in order to erect a fence on west property line in an "PUD", Planned Unit Development zoning district.

Note: The Land Development Code 25-2-899 Fences as Accessory Uses (F) a solid fence along a property line may be constructed to a maximum height of eight feet if each owner of property that adjoins a section of the fence that exceeds a height of six feet files written consent to the construction of the fence with the building official; and

- (1) there is a change in grade of at least two feet within 50 feet of the boundary between adjoining properties; or (2) a structure, including a telephone junction box, exists that is reasonably likely to enable a child to climb over a six foot fence and gain access to a hazardous situation, including a swimming pool.
- 3. C15-2024-0007 Hector Avila for Joel Beder and Joe Yu 1503 Robert Weaver Avenue

On-Line Link: <u>ITEM03 ADV PACKET</u>; <u>AE REPORT</u>; NO PRESENTATION

The applicant is requesting the following variance(s) from the Land Development Code, Section 25-2-492 (Site Development Regulations) from setback requirements to decrease the minimum front yard setback from 25 feet (required) to 14 feet (requested), in order to erect an attached garage in a "SF-3-NP", Single-Family - Neighborhood Plan zoning district (East Cesar Chavez Neighborhood Plan)

4. C15-2024-0009 Victoria Haase for Stephanie & David Goodman 3706 Meadowbank Drive

On-Line Link: ITEM04 ADV PACKET; AE REPORT; PRESENTATION

The applicant is requesting the following variance(s) from the Land Development Code, Section 25-2-1604 (Garage Placement) (C) (1) parking structure may not be closer to the front lot line than building façade (required) to garage in front of building façade (requested), in order to erect a two-story Garage in a "SF-3-NP", Single-Family - Neighborhood Plan zoning district (WANG Neighborhood Plan)

Note: Section 25-2-1604 Garage Placement

- (A) This section applies to a single-family residential use, a duplex residential use, or a two-family residential use.
- (B) In this section:
- (1) BUILDING FAÇADE means the front-facing exterior wall or walls of the first floor of the principal structure on a lot, and the term excludes the building façade of the portion of the principal structure designed or used as a parking structure. Projections from front-facing exterior walls, including but not limited to eaves, chimneys, porches, stoops, box or bay windows, and other similar features as determined by the building official, are not considered part of the building façade.
- (2) PARKING STRUCTURE means a garage or carport, either attached or detached from the principal structure.
- (C) A parking structure with an entrance that faces the front yard abutting public right-of-way:
- (1) May not be closer to the front lot line than the front-most exterior wall of the first floor of the building façade; and
- (2) If the parking structure is less than 20 feet behind the building façade, the width of the parking structure may not exceed 50 percent of the width of the building façade, measured parallel to the front lot line, or the line determined by the building official if located on an irregular lot.
- 5. C15-2024-0010 David Webber for Guadalupe Heights, LLC 5413 Guadalupe Street

On-Line Link: ITEM05 ADV PACKET; AE REPORT; PRESENTATION

The applicant is requesting the following variance(s) from the Land Development Code: Article 10, Compatibility Standards, Division 2 –Development Standards, in order to erect a Multi-Family building in a "MF-4-CO", Multi-Family Residence Moderate-High Density-Conditional Overlay zoning district:

- Section 25-2-1063 (*Height Limitations and Setbacks for Large Sites*):
 (1) (a) from height limitations to increase the height limit from two (2) stories and 30 feet (maximum allowed) to three (3) stories and 30 feet (requested) for a building located 50-ft or less from property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district
 - (C) (2) (a) from height limitations to increase the height limit from three (3) stories and 40 feet (maximum allowed) to four (4) stories and 40 feet (requested)
- Section 25-2-1064 (*Front Setback*):
 - (b) & (2) to decrease the front setback from 25 feet (minimum required) to 15 feet (requested) on a tract that adjoins property in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district and fronts on the same street **and**
- Section 25-2-1067 (Design Regulations):
 (G) (1) & (2) decrease driveway/parking setback from 25 feet (required) to 0 (zero) feet

Note: The Land Development Code

Section 25-2-1063 Height Limitations and Setbacks for Large Sites

- (C) The height limitations for a structure are
- (1) two stories and 30 feet, if the structure is 50 feet or less from property:
- (a) in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district.

(2) three stories and 40 feet, if the structure is more than 50 feet and not more than 100 feet from property. (a) in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district.

Section 25-2-1064 Front Setback

- A building must have a front building line setback of at least 25 feet from a right-of-way if the tract on which the building is constructed:
- (1) Adjoins property:
- a. In an urban family residence (SF-5) or more restrictive zoning district; or
- b. On which a use permitted in a SF-5 or more restrictive district is located; and
- (2) Fronts on the same street as the adjoining property.

Section 25-2-1067 Design Regulations

- (G) Unless a parking area or driveway is on a site that is less than 125 feet wide, a parking area or driveway may not be constructed 25 feet or less from a lot that is:
- (1) in a SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district; or
- (2) on which a use permitted in an SF-5 or more restrictive zoning district is located.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 6. Discussion of the January 8, 2024, Board of Adjustment activity report.

 On-Line Link: ITEM06 January 8, 2024-MONTHLY REPORT
- 7. Discussion regarding the relocation of Board of Adjustment meetings for June 10, 2024, and July 8, 2024, from City Hall Council Chambers (due to renovations) to PDC-Event Center (Room 1405).

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 8. Discussion and approval of Board of Adjustment meeting date, Thursday, November 14, 2024, at Council Chambers-Room 1001, 5pm to 10:30pm (due to Monday, Nov 11, 2024, Holiday).
- 9. Discussion and approval of Board of Adjustment FY25 Budget recommendations.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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