

Community Development 5047 Union Street Union City, GA 30291-1497

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Minutes

Zoning Board of Appeals Monday, September 20th, 2021 7:00 pm

PRESENT:

Chairman - Robert Potts

Community Development Director - Ellis Still

Vice Chairwoman – Sandra Cherokee Hill

City Planner II- Janna Keller

Member – Antonio Andrews

Member – Roslyn Crider

City Attorney - Dennis Davenport

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Monday, April 19th, 2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Sandra Cherokee Hill, seconded by Member Antonio Andrews, the agenda was approved. Vote was unanimous. 4-0

III. OLD BUSINESS:

None

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

A. Item #21000269: A request by US Storage, LLC for property located at 4700 Jonesboro Road to interpret Section 6-11 (14) (C) (a) & (e) of the Union City Zoning ordinance to allow outside storage. (Public Hearing)

1. PRESENTATION AND/ OR COMMENTS:

Director of Community Development Ellis Still

- Amendment to recommendation
 - Access to interior hallways
 - No metal siding
 - o Condition (f) has not been met for the metal

- o Pods are not considered outside storage
- o 6-foot fence stacked stone and wood
- Exteriors are not considered exterior walls and are permitted inside the fence

Holt Ney Zatcoff & Wasserman LLP Scott Morris Behalf of Petitioner

Jim Jarrell Behalf of Petitioner

2. THE COMMISSIONERS HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Power, electricity
- Fencing
- Fire rated material
- Items stored in units
- Access to facility

3. REMARKS FROM THE PETITIONERS:

- Exterior lights in the Garden center and units themselves do not have power
- Security outside of building
- Keypad to enter and exit building
- Former Walmart building
- Mini storage facility
- Proposed stack stone column
- No metal exterior walls
- Cost effective
- 1st class facility
- Red door facility has a wooden fence around the facility
- Completely leased
- 8 feet tall
- Criteria is plainly written and they comply with criteria

4. PUBLIC HEARING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (2 MIN.)

• No one far or in opposition of item # 21000269

5. REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC:

N/A

6. PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

7. REMARKS FROM THE FIRE MARSHALL – LARRY KNOWLES:

- 2 hydrants to protect the facility
- Units proposed are metal
- Building has a block wall
- Façade has been approved

8. REMARKS FROM CITY ATTORNEY DENNIS DAVENPORT

- Item #21000269
 - o (e) is no longer an issue
- The only reason we are meeting tonight is to determine whether to affirm the decision of the zoning administrator or to overturn the decision of the zoning administrator.
- No alternative for a variance
- Minimum standards can not be changed without City council
- This is not a request for a variance
- Conditions are minimum standards

9. VOTE ON ITEM #21000269:

A motion was made by Member Roslyn Crider, seconded by Member Antonio Andrews, to overturn the decision to allow the petitioner to the use of the store containers. Vote was unanimous. 4-0

1. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Sandra Cherokee Hill and seconded by Member Antonio Andrews. Vote was unanimous. 4-0 The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.