

**ABBREVIATED MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2009**

The Planning Commission met in the City of Bradenton Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida on September 16, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

Present:

Planning Commission Members: Jason Taylor, Vice-Chair; Diane Barcus, Adam Buskirk, Joseph Thompson

City Staff: Tim Polk- Planning Director; Thomas Cookingham-Assistant Director; Ruth Seewer-Development Review Manager; Karen Aihara-Executive Planning Administrator; Arlan Cummings-Public Works; Dennis Bonneau, Fire Inspector

Absent:

Planning Commission Members: Allen Yearick, Allen Prewitt, Brady Cohenour (alternate), O.M. Griffith (alternate)

City Staff: Kenneth Langston

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting was called to order by the Planning Commission Vice-Chair, Mr. Taylor at 2:01 p.m.

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Approval of Minutes – Ms. Barcus made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes, second by Mr. Thompson. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.
- Ms. Aihara swore in all those wishing to speak before the Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

VA.09.0057 WARD 4 NEIGHBORHOOD 1.01 RS

Request of Sabrina Crain, owner, for a Variance request for a waiver of parking lot paving and landscape buffer for property located at 526 4th Avenue East (zoned C1A).

Ms. Seewer read the request.

Chris Lukowiak, 605 15th Avenue Drive, representing Sabrina Crain, requested a continuance to the October 21 Planning Commission to address their employee parking arrangements.

Public Hearing: No one appeared in favor. Twila J. Miller, 522 4th Avenue East, appeared in opposition to a paved parking lot. Public hearing is continued to the October 21 Planning Commission Meeting.

VA.09.0058 WARD 3 NEIGHBORHOOD 6.01 RS

Request of Pastor Salvator M. Stefula, agent for Sacred Heart Church, owner, for a Variance to install a six foot fence around the air conditioning unit on property located at 1220 15th Street West (zoned R2B).

Ms. Seewer read the request. No one appeared for Sacred Heart Church.

Public Hearing: No one appeared in support or opposition. Public hearing was closed.

Public Works: No objections.

Fire: No objections.

Staff Recommendation: APPROVAL of VA-09-0058 with the following stipulations

1. The 6-foot fence will be located around the a/c units in the area indicated on City of Bradenton Exhibit F.
2. A hedge or other landscaping material will be installed on the exterior of the fence for proper buffering.

Commission Questions/Comments:

- Ms. Barcus clarified the location of the gate.

Planning Commission Action: APPROVED

Mr. Thompson moved, with a second by Ms. Barcus, to approve SU.09.0066 with the following stipulations.

1. The 6-foot fence will be located around the a/c units in the area indicated on City of Bradenton Exhibit F.
2. A hedge or other landscaping material will be installed on the exterior of the fence for proper buffering.

Motion approved, 4-0.

REPORT OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Polk reported on the PCD project status:

- Comprehensive Plan – second public hearing September 23.
- Land Use Regulations
- Form-Based Codes - \$75K budget for downtown initiative
- Urban Core
- Senate Bill 360 and House Bill 667

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Commission, motion to adjourn by Ms. Barcus, second by Mr. Thompson. Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Jason Taylor, Vice-Chair

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