



City of Greer
Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes
February 3, 2020

Members Present: Robbie Septon, Chair
Thomas McAbee, Vice Chair
Steve Griffin
Emily Tsesmeloglou

Member(s) Absent: Monica Ragin Hughey
Lisa H. Lynn
Glendora Massey

Staff Present: Brandon McMahan, Planner
Ashley Kaade, Planner

I. Call to Order

Mr. Septon called the meeting to order and read the opening remarks.

II. Minutes of Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting

ACTION –Dr. McAbee made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2020 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. Mr. Griffin seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 4 to 0. The motion passed. Dr. Hughey, Ms. Lynn, and Ms. Massey were absent from the vote.

III. Public Hearing

Mr. Septon read a brief statement about conducting the public hearing portion of the meeting.

A. BZA 2020-03

Mr. Septon opened the public hearing for BZA 2020-03.

Staff gave the basic information for the request.

Greg Wood, applicant for the request, gave a brief overview of the request.

As there was no one else to speak for or against this case, Mr. Septon closed the public hearing for BZA 2020-03.

B. BZA 2020-04

Mr. Septon opened the public hearing for BZA 2020-04.

Staff gave the basic information for the request.

Jane Mills, applicant for the request, gave a brief overview of the request.

As there was no one else to speak for or against this case, Mr. Septon closed the public hearing for BZA 2020-04.

IV. Old Business

Mr. Septon announced there was 1 item of old business to discuss, BZA 2020-01.

Staff gave a brief history of the request and presented the Board with new information provided by the city attorney.

ACTION – Mr. Griffin made a motion to deny BZA 2020.01. Ms. Tsismeloglou seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 3 to 0. The motion passed. Dr. McAbee abstained from the vote.

V. New Business

A. BZA 2020-03

Mr. Septon read a brief statement about conducting the business meeting and opened a business meeting for BZA 2020-03.

Staff presented the details of the request and staff analysis with recommendation of approval for BZA 2020-03 to grant a variance to allow electronic messaging sign with the following conditions: the sign will operate at no more than 50% brightness; the sign will not operate between the hours of 9pm to 7am.

Butch Baur, applicant for the request with Waffle House, stated that this property was the right size for a Waffle House. He advised that the dumpster enclosure was the closest to the property line with 5 foot between it and the property line.

Mr. Septon asked staff if the property adjacent to the proposed dumpster enclosure was owned by the airport. Mr. McMahan advised that it was and the applicant had received a letter of approval from GSP for this project.

ACTION – Mr. Griffin made a motion to approve BZA 2020-03. Ms. Tsismeloglou seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 3 to 0. The motion passed. Dr. McAbee abstained from the vote.

B. BZA 2020-04

Mr. Septon opened a business meeting for BZA 2019-18.

Staff presented the details of the request and staff analysis with a recommendation of approval for BZA 2020-04 to grant a variance to allow electronic messaging sign with the following conditions: the sign will operate at no more than 50% brightness; the sign will not operate between the hours of 9pm to 7am.

ACTION – Ms. Tsesmeloglou a motion to approve BZA 2020-04. Mr. Griffin seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 3 to 0. The motion passed. Dr. McAbee abstained from the vote.

VI. Other Business

Planning and Zoning Staff Report

Staff updated the Board on upcoming training opportunities.

VII. Executive Session

VIII. Adjourn

There being no other business, Dr. McAbee made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:54pm. Ms. Tsesmeloglou seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.