

Planning Board / Board of Adjustments and Appeals

Regular Meeting

July 23, 2019

Minutes

The Okeechobee County Planning Board/Board of Adjustments and Appeals met in regular session on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Okeechobee County Health Department Auditorium, 1728 NW 9th Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida.

Board members present were Matthew Buxton, Frank Cunningham, Joey Hoover, and Ted Kelchner. Lawrence Fipps, Weston Harvey, Paul Howell, and alternate Brian Trimble were absent. Also in attendance were County Attorney John Cassels, Planning Director Bill Royce, Planner Jennifer Busbin, Planner Ty Hancock and Administrative Secretary Jenna Durham.

Chairman Ted Kelchner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda Item # 1. Public Comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item # 2. Approval of Minutes.

Joey Hoover moved to approve the June 25, 2019 minutes as submitted. Matthew Buxton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item # 3. Public Hearing, Petition R-2019-0718; Sake, LLC, property owner and applicant. Request for a change in zoning from the existing classifications of Residential Mobile Home (RMH), Heavy Commercial (C-2) and Commercial (C) to the proposed classification of Heavy Commercial (C-2). The property address is 3633 US Highway 441 North.

Planning Director Bill Royce presented the petition and described the surrounding area. He stated that the property consists of 3 separate parcels zoned Residential Mobile Home, Commercial and Heavy Commercial, totalling just under 5 acres in area. He stated that the parcels are on the west side of Highway 441 North, south of NW 36th Street. He stated that the property is located in a Commercial Corridor and that there is a lot of mixed commercial development in the area, such as auto sales and repair, convenience stores, restaurants, and laundromats. He stated that the request for the change in zoning is consistent with the comprehensive plan and land development regulations, and reasonable for the area.

Mr. Royce stated that staff recommends that the Planning Board recommend that the Board of County Commissioners grant the request for a change in zoning from Residential Mobile Home (RMH), Heavy Commercial (C-2) and Commercial (C) to Heavy Commercial (C-2).

Chairman Ted Kelchner opened the public hearing.

There were no comments from the public.

Matthew Buxton made a motion to close the public hearing. Joey Hoover seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Frank Cunningham moved to recommend that the Board of County Commissioners grant Petition R-2019-0718, request for a change in zoning from existing classifications of Residential Mobile Home (RMH), Heavy Commercial (C-2) and Commercial (C) to the proposed classification of Heavy Commercial (C-2), based on the staff report and recommendation. Matthew Buxton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Kelchner announced that a second public hearing to consider the request for a change in zoning would be held before the Board of County Commissioners on Thursday, August 8, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Judge William L. Hendry Courtroom, Room 270, Historic Okeechobee County Courthouse, 304 NW 2nd Street, Okeechobee, Florida.

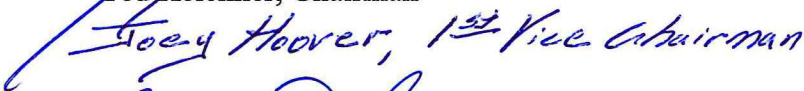

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.



~~Ted Kelchner, Chairman~~

8-27-19

Date of Approval


Joey Hoover, 1st Vice Chairman


Jenna Durham, Administrative Secretary

8/27/19

Date