

MINUTES

Valdosta-Lowndes Zoning Board of Appeals
Valdosta City Hall Annex Multi-Purpose Room
300 North Lee Street, Valdosta, Georgia
October 6, 2020 2:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Victoria Copeland
Nancy Hobby
John Hogan III

John Holt
John "Mac" McCall
Marion Ramsey

MEMBERS ABSENT

Nathan Brantley
Allan Strickland

STAFF PRESENT

Trinni Amiot
JD Dillard
Tracy Tolley

VISITORS PRESENT

Brittani Hughes
Carl Janney
Larry Mercer

Agenda Item # 1: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McCall. It was determined that a quorum of members was present. Chairman McCall thanked everyone for coming and reviewed the meeting procedures with those in attendance today.

LOWNDES COUNTY CASE

Agenda Item # 2: VAR-2020-07 — Carl G Janney (4674 Knight Academy Rd.)

Chairman McCall announced the case. Mr. Dillard stated that Mr. Janney is asking for a variance to Section 4.04.03(D) of the ULDC as it pertains to the Design Standards for blocks, easements, and lots. The subject property is located at 4674 Knights Academy Road and consists of 2.92 acres zoned MAZ-II. Mr. Dillard noted that the ULDC requires that all subdivision lots to have frontage on and access to an existing or proposed paved public street, and lays out requirements for the provision of infrastructure and contains requirements for access to the transportation network. Mr. Dillard stated that there were specific regulations that require access that were adopted in 1985, and this survey was recorded in 1986 at a point when staff was not required to review surveys. Mr. Dillard indicated the TRC had found no objections with the request.

Mrs. Hobby asked that, in 2017, staff reviewed cases such as this. Mr. Dillard stated that yes, they started reviewing plats/surveys that were submitted to their office.

Chairman McCall asked if anyone would like to speak on behalf of the application. Mr. Carl Janney, 4674 Knight Academy Road, stated he really did not have anything more to add to staff's comments. Mr. Janney stated he hoped the Board would grant the variance.

Chairman McCall asked if anyone else would like to speak on behalf of the application. No one spoke. Chairman McCall asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition to the request. No one spoke. Chairman McCall asked if anyone had contacted staff's office. Mr. Dillard stated they had received no inquiries.

There being no further discussion, Chairman McCall called for a motion. Mr. Hogan made a motion to approve as presented, citing criteria "d." Mr. Holt seconded the motion. The motion was called and carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

Agenda Item # 3: Approval of Minutes: September 1, 2020

Chairman McCall asked if any changes needed to be made to the draft minutes. There being none, Chairman McCall called for a motion regarding the September 1, 2020 meeting minutes. Mr. Holt made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Hogan seconded the motion. The motion was called and carried with a vote of 5-0.

Agenda Item # 4: Nomination of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Chairman McCall opened the floor for nominations. The Board discussed keeping the same slate. Chairman McCall suggested, since two members were absent, that the Board nominate a slate at the November meeting. Chairman McCall asked staff how long they had to nominate and elect the officers; Ms. Tolley stated they had till the end of the year. The Board asked staff to place this on the November agenda.

Agenda Item # 5: Consideration/Adoption of 2021 ZBOA meeting Schedule

Chairman McCall asked if the Board would like to discuss this item at the November 2020 meeting in hopes of having the entire Board to discuss the schedule. The Board asked staff to place this item on the November 2020 agenda.

Agenda Item # 6: Attendance Review

Chairman McCall noted that Mr. Brantley and Vice Chairman Strickland had notified staff of their absences prior to the meeting, and were excused.

Agenda Item # 7: Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM.

/s/ John "Mac" McCall
John "Mac" McCall, Chairman

November 3, 2020
Date