

Planning Commission
PUBLIC HEARING
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2012
MINUTES

In those matters coming before the Cordova Planning Commission at 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday, February 14th, 2012, in the City Hall Conference Room, 602 Railroad Road Cordova, Alaska, are as follows:

A. Call to order –

B. Roll Call Present for roll call were Chairman Tom Bailer, John Greenwood, Greg LoForte, Roy Srb, Tom McGann and Scott Pegau.

Also present were City Planner Samantha Greenwood and Assistant Planner Faith Wheeler-Jeppson. There were 5 people in the audience and 2 people on teleconference.

C. Public Hearing Topic

1. Variance request by Diana Riedel from the setback requirements for 305 Observation Avenue.

Sandra Van Dyck ~ 301 Observation Avenue, That's why we're here, is to hear what Diana's plan is. I just saw this big packet I haven't seen.

Tom Bailer ~ Well this is the Public Hearing part, so if you want to comment and then we'll take it up in the Regular Meeting after this where we'll be discussing the details of it. Right now we're basically just taking in input from the public.

Sandra Van Dyck ~ We're just moving up into that neighborhood, just a consideration of how things will work. Snow removal in general and be a working zone for everybody. I'm sure that's what Diana is planning, but I hadn't seen all this stuff before so I'm just getting up to snuff on everything.

Ross Mullins ~ 118 W. Davis Avenue, I was on the previous teleconference back in the fall and basically my comments are about the same, I think the City really needs to give strong consideration of that area because it is a potential problem in the winter. And I think that this winter has been a primary example of what is necessary and I think you're ought to get testimony from the guy that is running the plows and trying to dispose of the snow because historically that area has been an area of the snow dump and I think that's something to consider. I have no objection to a house being built, but I do believe that a zero lot line, unless there is some modification of the street right-of-way there to create a bulkhead and that City property is clearly delineated. I don't even know if you could figure out where the lot line is, the street keeps increasing in size (in width) over the years with the gradual accumulation of more material it's all downhill from above. I would just like to make sure that whatever you do doesn't create a future problem, so that would be my comment.

Bill Black ~ 309 Observation Avenue, I'm here listening in, I just want Diana to have the nicest place she could have and have everything work for everybody and get a good, safe house and have the road be safe and travelable and everything will work out real well and don't do something half-baked, it creates problems. So Thanks.

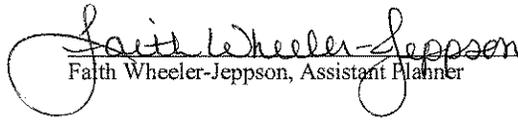
Tom Bailer ~ O.K. Thank you.

Jeff Van Dyck ~ 301 Observation Avenue, It's hard for me to visualize anything without seeing it as far as lines and stuff. Looking at this picture that she drew here and we're on the corner, I'm just wondering, the snow line and that stuff. It seems that traditionally the City makes that a snow dump right there on that corner.

Tom Bailer ~ That is private property and if the property owner so wishes, snow won't be dumped on there anymore. So the issue we're going to be discussing is whether to grant a zero lot line which would allow her to be close to the property line. So, it's not so much the building of the house, it's more of the location of the house on the lot that is out concern along with how that affects the road and that sort of thing.

D. ADJOURNMENT
M/Greenwood S/Srb
Motion to adjourn at 6:15 pm

 5-8-12
Thomas Bailer, Chairman Date

 4/23/2012
Faith Wheeler-Jeppson, Assistant Planner Date