



# City of Galveston

## MINUTES OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON REGULAR MEETING – November 4, 2020

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

### ATTENDANCE

Members Present via Videoconference: Bill Clement, Robert Girndt, Jim Thompson, Alice Watford

Members Absent: Andrew Galletti, CM David Collins (Ex-Officio)

Staff Present: Catherine Gorman, AICP, Assistant Director/Historic Preservation Officer

Staff Present via Telephone: Tim Tietjens, Executive Director of Development Services; Karen White, Planning Technician; Donna Fairweather, Assistant City Attorney; Butch Stroud, City Marshal

### ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Alice Watford made a motion to defer the election of chair and vice-chair until the regular meeting of December 9, 2020. Bill Clement seconded, and the following votes were cast:

In favor: Clement, Girndt, Thompson, Watford

Opposed: None

Absent: Galletti; CM Collins (Ex Officio)

Non-voting participant: None

**The motion passed.**

### CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Girndt – 20Z-014

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The September 2, 2020 minutes were approved as presented.

### MEETING FORMAT

Staff explained the adjusted meeting format to the Board and the public.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### NEW BUSINESS AND ASSOCIATED PUBLIC HEARINGS

**20Z-014 (3512 Avenue P ½)** Request for appeal of staff determination of the Galveston Land Development Regulations, Article 2, Section 2.601(C) regarding fence materials. Property is legally described as M. B.

Menard Survey, West 28-6 feet of Lot 10 and East 25-10 feet of Lot 11 and Portion of Lots 4 and 5, and Adjacent Alley (1010-1), Northeast Block 86, Galveston Outlots, in the City and County of Galveston, Texas.

Representative: Wayne D. Holt

Applicant: Della Shorman

Property Owner: Darryl R. Goalen

Vice-Chairperson Robert Girndt recused himself citing a conflict of interest.

Bill Clement made a motion to table the public hearing until the end of the agenda due to the lack of a quorum. Alice Watford seconded, and the following votes were cast:

|                         |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| In favor:               | Clement, Girndt, Thompson, Watford |
| Opposed:                | None                               |
| Absent:                 | Galletti, CM Collins (Ex Officio)  |
| Non-voting participant: | None                               |

**The motion passed.**

**20Z-015 (1127 Avenue M)** Request for a variance from the Galveston Land Development Regulations, Article 3, Addendum for Urban Neighborhood, Minimum Lot Standards, regarding lot area. Property is legally described as the M.B. Menard Survey, Lot 1, Northeast Block 23, Galveston Outlots, in the City and County of Galveston, Texas.

Applicant and Property Owner: Brian Root, Emily's Home Building Remodeling and Design Services LLC

Staff presented the staff report and noted that of thirty-two (32) notices of public hearing sent, one (1) had been returned in favor, two (2) had been returned in opposition, and one (1) had been returned without comment.

Vice-Chairperson Robert Girndt opened the public hearing on case 20Z-015. Applicant and property owner Brian Root and property owner Emily Root presented to the Board. The public hearing was closed, and the Vice-Chairperson called for a motion.

Vice-Chairperson Robert Girndt made a motion to approve case 20Z-015 due to the history of other parcels in the vicinity being subdivided in a similar fashion. Alice Watford seconded.

Vice-Chairperson Robert Girndt called for questions or comments from the Board, and the following votes were cast:

|                         |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| In favor:               | None                               |
| Opposed:                | Clement, Girndt, Thompson, Watford |
| Absent:                 | Galletti, CM Collins (Ex Officio)  |
| Non-voting participant: | None                               |

**The motion failed due to the lack of four (4) affirmative votes.**

Bill Clement made a motion to deny case 20Z-015 due to the lack of special conditions. Vice-Chairperson Robert Girndt seconded.

Vice-Chairperson Robert Girndt called for questions or comments from the Board, and the following votes were cast:

|                         |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| In favor:               | Clement, Girndt, Thompson, Watford |
| Opposed:                | None                               |
| Absent:                 | Galletti, CM Collins (Ex Officio)  |
| Non-voting participant: | None                               |

**The motion passed.**

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Representative: Wayne D. Holt

Applicant: Della Shorman

Property Owner: Darryl R. Goalen

Bill Clement made a motion to un-table case 20Z-014. Alice Watford seconded, and the following votes were cast:

|                         |                                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| In favor:               | Clement, Girndt, Thompson, Watford |
| Opposed:                | None                               |
| Absent:                 | Galletti, CM Collins (Ex Officio)  |
| Non-voting participant: | None                               |

**The motion passed.**

Representative of the applicant Wayne D. Holt addressed the Board.

Bill Clement made a motion to continue case 20Z-014 until the regular meeting of December 9, 2020 in order to allow a quorum to be present. Alice Watford seconded, and the following votes were cast:

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|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| In favor:               | Clement, Girndt, Thompson, Watford |
| Opposed:                | None                               |
| Absent:                 | Galletti, CM Collins (Ex Officio)  |
| Non-voting participant: | None                               |

**The motion passed.**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:44 PM**

