Prince George's County Council

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Zoning Minutes - Draft

Monday, May 5, 2014

1:30 PM

Council Hearing Room

Sitting as the District Council

Mel Franklin, District 9, Chairman Will A. Campos, District 2, Vice Chair Derrick Leon Davis, District 6
Andrea C. Harrison, District 5
Mary A. Lehman, District 1
Eric C. Olson, District 3
Obie Patterson, District 8
Karen R. Toles, District 7
Ingrid M. Turner, District 4

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

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ORDER OF PRESENTATION AT HEARINGS

- 1. Orientation by the Planning Staff or appropriate staff person
- 2. Testimony from the side requesting the hearing
- 3. Testimony from the side favoring the decision
- 4. Comments by the People's Zoning Counsel
- 5. Five (5) minute rebuttal from the side requesting hearing
- 6. Five (5) minute rebuttal from the side favoring decision

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1:00 PM AGENDA BRIEFING

1:54 PM CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:54 p.m. with seven members present at roll call. Council Members Patterson and Toles arrived at 1:57 p.m.

Present: 9 - Chairman Mel Franklin

Vice Chair Will Campos

Council Member Derrick Davis Council Member Andrea Harrison Council Member Mary Lehman Council Member Eric Olson Council Member Obie Patterson Council Member Karen Toles

Council Member Ingrid Turner

Also Present: Rajesh Kumar, Principal Counsel to the District Council

Stan Brown, People's Zoning Counsel

Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator William M. Hunt, Deputy Council Administrator

Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council

Donna J. Brown, Deputy Clerk of the Council

M-NCPPC

Jimi Jones, Supervisor, Development Review Division Ivy Thompson, Development Review Division

INVOCATION - Howard Stone, County Employee

Council Member Campos requested prayer for Sylvia Brown, staff member, as she recovers from surgery. Council Chair Franklin requested prayer for the County Council.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Olson.

ORAL ARGUMENTS

CNU-625-76 Holland Gardens Nursery and Landscaping, Inc.

Applicant(s): Department of Environmental Resources, Petitioner

Location: Located on the north side of Sellman Road, east of its intersection with

Weymouth Avenue (6.03 Acres; R-80 Zone)

Request: Requesting revocation of an approved Nonconforming Use Certification of

permit CNU-625-76, for a nursery and garden center.

Council District: 1

 Appeal by Date:
 10/17/2013

 Review by Date:
 10/17/2013

 Action by Date:
 7/7/2014

History:

Stan Brown, People's Zoning Counsel, noted that the applicant has made a request for continuance. Levi Zaslow, attorney for the property owner, stated his argument for the request. Council Member Lehman stated her opposition to the request. The continuance was not granted. Mr. Zaslow, requested to be heard on an additional procedural issue prior to the oral argument hearing. The meeting went into recess to allow Mr. Zaslow to confer with the People's Zoning Counsel.

The meeting reconvened and Stan Brown, People's Zoning Counsel, spoke to the applicant's proffer to recuse Council Member Lehman due to email communications between her aide and county agencies which he alleges are proof of a conflict of interest and bias from her office on this case. Mr. Brown noted that the applicant will be permitted to state his proffer in writing for the case record. Council Member Lehman stated her intention to participate in this case despite the request.

Ivy Thompson, M-NCPPC planning staff, provided an overview of the Certification of Nonconforming Use application for revocation. Levi Zaslow, attorney for the property owner, presented his argument in opposition.

Jared McCarthy, Deputy County Attorney, Office of Law, provided argument, on behalf of the Department of Environmental Resources in favor of the application for revocation. Stan Brown,

People's Zoning Counsel, provided an overview of the case and spoke to the legalities of the argument presented.

This Certified Nonconforming Use hearing was held.

Council referred this item to staff for preparation of an approving document in accordance with the Planning Board decision (Vote: 8-0; Absent: Council Member Turner).

A motion was made by Council Member Lehman, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this Certified Nonconforming Use be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson and

Toles

Absent: Turner

ORAL ARGUMENTS (Continued)

SE-4704 <u>In Loving Hands</u>

Companion Case(s): DDS-613; DPLS-373

Applicant(s): In Loving Hands, LLC/Carlos Watson

Location: Located at the terminus of Lucille Court, approximately 210 feet north of its

intersection with Lucille Drive (0.48 Acres; R-R Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Special Exception for a Congregate Living Facility for

up to 15 residents.

Council District: 8

 Appeal by Date:
 3/17/2014

 Review by Date:
 3/17/2014

 Action by Date:
 7/14/2014

 Municipality:
 None

Opposition: None

History:

Chairman Franklin announced that the Oral Argument hearings for SE-4704, DDS-613 and DPLS-373 would be held in tandem.

Jimi Jones, M-NCPPC planning staff, provided an overview of the application. Tracy Scudder, spoke to the case on behalf of the applicant. Stan Brown, People's Zoning Counsel, provided an overview of the case and spoke to the legalities of the argument presented.

This Special Exception hearing was held.

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote:

8-0; Absent: Council Member Olson).

A motion was made by Council Member Patterson, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Special Exception be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Toles and

Turner

Absent: Olson

ORAL ARGUMENTS (Continued)

DDS-613 In Loving Hands

Companion Case(s): DPLS-373; SE-4704

Applicant(s): Carlos Watson

Location: Located at the terminus of Lucille Court, approximately 210 feet north of its

intersection with Lucille Drive (0.48 Acres; R-R Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Departure from Design Standards of 12 feet from the

required 22-foot-wide driveway aisle width and a departure from Section 4.7 of

the Landscape Manual

Council District: 8

 Appeal by Date:
 11/21/2013

 Review by Date:
 11/21/2013

 Action by Date:
 7/14/2014

History:

Chairman Franklin announced that the Oral Argument hearings for SE-4704, DDS-613 and DPLS-373 would be held in tandem.

Jimi Jones, M-NCPPC planning staff, provided an overview of the application. Tracy Scudder, spoke to the case on behalf of the applicant. Stan Brown, People's Zoning Counsel, provided an overview of the case and spoke to the legalities of the argument presented.

This Departure from Design Standards hearing was held.

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 8-0; Absent: Council Member Olson).

A motion was made by Council Member Patterson, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Departure from Design Standards be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Toles and

Turner

Absent: Olson

ORAL ARGUMENTS (Continued)

DPLS-373 In Loving Hands

Companion Case(s): DDS-613; SE-4704

Applicant(s): Carlos Watson

Location: Located at the terminus of Lucille Court, approximately 210 feet north of its

intersection with Lucille Drive (0.48 Acres; R-R Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Departure from Parking and Loading Standards for the

waiver of three of the required four parking spaces.

Council District: 8

 Appeal by Date:
 11/21/2013

 Review by Date:
 11/21/2013

 Action by Date:
 7/14/2014

History:

Chairman Franklin announced that the Oral Argument hearings for SE-4704, DDS-613 and DPLS-373 would be held in tandem.

Jimi Jones, M-NCPPC planning staff, provided an overview of the application. Tracy Scudder, spoke to the case on behalf of the applicant. Stan Brown, People's Zoning Counsel, provided an overview of the case and spoke to the legalities of the argument presented.

This Departure from Parking and Loading Standards hearing was held.

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 8-0; Absent: Council Member Olson).

A motion was made by Council Member Patterson, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Departure from Parking and Loading Standards be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Toles and

Turner

Absent: Olson

ELIGIBLE FOR FINAL ACTION (Orientation if Desired)

CNU-25543-2013 <u>Forestville Commercial Center - Lot 6, Blk A</u>

<u>Companion Case(s)</u>: CNU-25543-2013-U

<u>Applicant(s)</u>: 7901 Parston Drive, LLC

Location: Located at 7901 Parston Drive, District Heights, Maryland (I-1 / DDOZ).

Request: Requesting approval of a Nonconforming Use Certification for a Vehicle Storage

Yard and Vehicle Towing Station, on approximately 21,934 square feet in the I-1/

DDO (Light Industrial/Development District Overlay) Zones.

Council District: 6

Appeal by Date: 4/28/2014 **Action by Date:** 5/27/2014

Municipality: None *Opposition:* None

History:

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 9-0).

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Certified Nonconforming Use be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

Council adopted the prepared Order of approval (Vote: 9-0).

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Turner, that this Certified Nonconforming Use be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

Backup: Order of Approval in accordance with the Zoning Hearing Examiner Decision.

REFERRED FOR DOCUMENT

DSP-12061 Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station

Applicant(s): Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station

Location: Located on the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Breezewood Drive and

Cherrywood Lane (151.79 Acres; M-U-I / D-D-O Zones).

Request: Requesting approval of a Detailed Site Plan for the addition of two new

freestanding monument signs, two new building-mounted banner signs, and 27 freestanding pole banner signs within an existing multifamily residential

development in the M-U-I and D-D-O Zones.

Council District: 4

 Appeal by Date:
 1/9/2014

 Review by Date:
 1/30/2014

 Action by Date:
 5/23/2014

Municipality: City of Greenbelt

History:

Council deferred this item to May 12, 2014.

This Detailed Site Plan was deferred to May 12, 2014.

Backup: Order of Approval, with Conditions.

ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION

DPLS-387 <u>Comunicar</u>

Applicant(s): JU DI, LLC.

Location: Located at the southeast corner of Kenilworth Avenue (MD 201) and Kennedy

Street (0.159 Acres; C-O Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Departure from Parking and Loading Standards for a

waiver of six parking spaces from the required nine parking spaces for a tax and

travel service office

Council District: 3

 Appeal by Date:
 12/19/2013

 Review by Date:
 1/21/2014

 Action by Date:
 6/13/2014

Municipality: Town of Riverdale Park

History:

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 9-0).

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Davis, that this Departure from Parking and Loading Standards be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

Council adopted the prepared Order of approval with conditions (Vote: 9-0).

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Council Member Davis, that this Departure from Parking and Loading Standards be approval with conditions. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

Backup: Order of Approval, with Conditions.

ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION (Continued)

DSP-12059 <u>Riverdale Road McDonalds</u>

Companion Case(s): DPLS-396

Applicant(s): McDonalds USA LLC

Location: Located on the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Kenilworth Avenue (MD

201) and Riverdale Road (1.11 Acres; C-S-C Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Detailed Site Plan for a 4,387-square-foot, one-story,

freestanding McDonalds eating and drinking establishment with drive-through service on an existing McDonalds site in the Commercial Shopping Center

(C-S-C) Zone. The DSP proposes to demolish the existing McDonalds restaurant

building and replace it with a new prototype building.

Council District: 3

 Appeal by Date:
 1/9/2014

 Review by Date:
 1/30/2014

 Action by Date:
 5/23/2014

Municipality: Town of Riverdale Park

<u> History</u>:

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 9-0).

This Detailed Site Plan was referred for document.

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

DPLS-396 Riverdale Road McDonalds

Companion Case(s): DSP-12059

Applicant(s): McDonalds USA LLC

Location: Located on the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Kenilworth Avenue (MD

201) and Riverdale Road (1.11 Acres; C-S-C Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Departure from Parking and Loading Standards

(Sections 27-568 and 27-582) to reduce the required number of parking spaces from 52 to 46 and to not provide the required one loading space due to the site's

small size.

Council District: 3

Appeal by Date: 1/9/2014 **Review by Date:** 1/30/2014

Action by Date: 5/23/2014

Municipality: Town of Riverdale Park

History:

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 9-0).

A motion was made that this Departure from Parking and Loading Standards be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION (Continued)

DSP-13017 1800 Prosperity Way

Applicant(s): James F. Schneider

Location: Located in the southeast quadrant of the intersection of Prosperity Way and

Prosperity Court (0.72 Acres; I-1 Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Detailed Site Plan for a contractor's storage yard.

Council District: 7

 Appeal by Date:
 1/9/2014

 Review by Date:
 1/30/2014

 Action by Date:
 5/23/2014

Municipality: Capitol Heights

History:

Council deferred this item to May 12, 2014

This Detailed Site Plan was deferred to May 12, 2014.

DSP-13020 Walker Mill Business Park, Lot 8

Applicant(s): Wasim and Naira Butt

Location: Located on the north side of Prosperity Court, approximately 150 feet east of its

intersection with Prosperity Way (1.58 Acres; I-1 Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Detailed Site Plan for a proposed vehicle towing

company and automobile storage yard.

Council District: 7

 Appeal by Date:
 1/9/2014

 Review by Date:
 1/30/2014

 Action by Date:
 5/23/2014

Municipality: Capitol Heights

History:

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an approving document, with conditions (Vote: 9-0).

This Detailed Site Plan was referred for document.

Aye: 9 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson, Toles

and Turner

ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION (Continued)

SE-4605 <u>Barnabas Road Concrete Recycling Facility (Remand)</u>

Applicant(s): Barnabas Road Associates, LLC

Location: Located at the Terminus of Clifton Road, approximately 1,150 feet south of its

intersection with St. Barnabas Road (4.38 acres; I-1 Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Special Exception for a Concrete Recycling Facility.

Council District: 8

Action by Date: 4/21/2014

Municipality: N/A

Opposition: Gordon's Corners Citizens Association et al.

History:

Council referred item to staff for preparation of an dissapproving document (Vote: 8-0; Absent: Council Member Toles).

A motion was made by Council Member Patterson, seconded by Council Member Davis, that this Special Exception be referred for document. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson and

Turner

Absent: Toles

Council adopted the prepared Order of Denial (Vot: 8-0; Absent: Council Member Toles).

A motion was made by Council Member Patterson, seconded by Council Member Davis, that this Special Exception be disapproved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Franklin, Campos, Davis, Harrison, Lehman, Olson, Patterson and

Turner

Absent: Toles

PENDING FINALITY

The following decisions will become final unless the District Council elects, BY MAJORITY VOTE, to make the final decision or an appeal is filed.

PLANNING BOARD

CNU-15315-13 6801 Red Top Road

Applicant(s): Robert and Paulette Delapenha

Location: Located at the northeastern quadrant of the intersection of Red Top Road and

Fairview Avenue (0.252 Acres; R-18 Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Nonconforming Use Certification for a six-unit

apartment in the R-18 Zone.

Council District: 2

Appeal by Date: 5/29/2014 **Review by Date:** 5/29/2014

<u> History</u>:

Council took no action on this item.

This Certified Nonconforming Use was not elected to review by Council.

CNU-23538-13 Fleetwood Village Apartments

Applicant(s): Fleetwood Village Limited Partnership

Location: The subject property is identified as three separated deed parcels located in the

northeastern, northwestern, and southern quadrants of the intersections of Eastern Avenue, Greenlawn Drive, Knollbrook Drive, and Chillum Road (9.379 Acres;

R-18 Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Nonconforming Use Certification for a 252-unit

multifamily apartment building located on three separate parcels in the R-18 Zone

in accordance with Subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code

Council District: 2

Appeal by Date: 5/22/2014 **Review by Date:** 5/22/2014

History:

Council took no action on this item.

This Certified Nonconforming Use was not elected to review by Council.

PENDING FINALITY (Continued)

DSP-13037 <u>Beech Tree Commercial Center</u>

Applicant(s): VOB Limited Partnership

Location: The subject commercially-zoned property is located in the actual southwestern

quadrant of the intersection of US 301 and Leeland Road, east of Moores Plains Boulevard, and north and south of the platted, but unconstructed, Effie Bowie

Drive.

Request: Requesting approval of a Detailed Site Plan for infrastructure and rough grading

only for a future commercial shopping center in the C-S-C Zone.

Council District: 6

Appeal by Date: 5/22/2014 **Review by Date:** 5/22/2014

<u> History</u>:

Council took no action on this item.

This Detailed Site Plan was not elected to review by Council.

SDP-0002-04 <u>Cameron Grove, Lot 80, Block A</u>

Applicant(s): Walter H. Person

Location: On the southern side of the cul-de-sac of Pine Ridge Court, approximately 360

feet south of its intersection with New Acadia Lane (0.228 Acres; R-L Zone).

Request: Requesting approval of a Detailed Site Plan for the addition of a sun room to an

exisinting single-family detached dwelling.

Council District: 6

Appeal by Date: 5/29/2014 **Review by Date:** 5/29/2014

History:

Council took no action on this item.

This Detailed Site Plan was not elected to review by Council.

3:28 PM RECESS

Meeting was recessed at 3:38 p.m.

7:16 PM RECONVENE

7:16 PM PUBLIC HEARING - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

This Public Hearing was Held.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PROPOSED FY 2015
OPERATING BUDGET, SIX YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM
(INCLUDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET)
AND THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
PORTION OF THE COUNTY FY 2015 OPERATING BUDGET,
PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, REVENUE AUTHORITY
AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, AND
THE CONSTANT YIELD TAX RATE.

9:25 PM ADJOURN

Prepared by:
Leonard Moses, Zoning Assistant
Submitted by:
Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the Council