

HIGHLAND BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Study Session Minutes

March 27, 2024

Study Session began at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance were Commissioners Helms, Murovic, Smith, Thomas, and Wright. Town Council Liaison, Mr. Doug Turich and Building Commissioner, Mr. Ken Mika were not present at the Study Session. Also in attendance was Mr. Scott Bilse, representing the Town Attorney, John Reed.

Those in attendance briefly discussed the petition items on this evening's agenda.

The first petitioners were to be Michele & Trevor Parsley, 8817 Woodward Ave., who were originally scheduled at the December 13th, 2023, meeting and whose petition hearing had been continued. They were seeking to put up a fence on a corner property beyond the building lines. The Board agreed that they would have to see what the petitioners presented to them as they had been asked in December to consider a more open-fence design and to re-evaluate the distance and see if they would consider coming closer to the house with the fence for additional green space.

The second petitioner on this evening's agenda was also a hearing continued from the December meeting for Kashmira Makwana, 9911 Southmoor Avenue, for the purpose of allowing an addition to their existing garage that would exceed the allowance of 720 sq. ft. The Board agreed that they would need to see the plans and drawings for the proposed garage addition, which the petitioner had been asked to present in December.

The third item on the agenda was a new petitioner, Robert Crowel, 8925 Arbor Hill Drive, requesting a Variance to allow placement of a shed on his property the exceeded the allowance of 720 sq. ft. Adding this shed also would exceed the maximum lot coverage of 35%, the minimum landscape coverage of 35%, and would not conform with the Covenant Border Requirements for this sub-division. Attorney Mr. Jared Tauber, who was representing Mr. Crowel at this evening's meeting, handed out some information to the Board at the study session and stated he would be making a presentation during the meeting that he felt would provide sufficient reasons why Mr. Crowel should be allowed to put up his shed.

The fourth and final petitioners on the agenda were Daniel and Aziza Gil, 3349 Franklin Avenue, requesting a Variance for the garage set back and square footage allowance in their new construction single family home to be located at 8549 Liable Road. The Board reviewed the plans for the house and briefly discussed concerns about the empty space above the proposed garage. Mr. Thomas mentioned that he felt the garage protruded out from the primary façade too far from what it looked like on the plans but wanted to get confirmation from the petitioners at the meeting.

Study Session ended at 6:28 p.m.

Ken Mika

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Ree for Ken Mika". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the printed name "Ken Mika".

Building Commissioner/Zoning Administrator