



CITY OF FOWLER
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
August 5, 2010
MINUTES

Chairman Mukai called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Gary Mukai, Sandie Monis and Henry Fernandez

Commissioners Absent: Craig Mellon and Mark Rodriguez

City Staff Present: City Attorney Scott Cross, Planning Consultant Bruce O'Neal, Community Development Director Randy Deaver and Planning Secretary Corina Burrola

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Commissioner Monis to approve the minutes of July 15, 2010 and second by Commissioner Fernandez and passed by a roll call vote of 3-0-0-2.

Public Presentation:

There were no public presentations (Public Presentation closed at 6:33 p.m.)

Agenda Item No. 6:

Public Hearing to Consider Variance No. 10-01, a proposal filed by Philip Costales to reduce the side yard setback in the R-1-6 Zone District for property located on a corner lot of 117 S. Vista Street (APN 343-193-03). Planning Consultant, Bruce O'Neal presented to the commission a brief review of the staff report. The parcel is located on the northeast corner of Vista and Main Street just across the street from the high school and is occupied by an existing single family home that was partially destroyed in a fire; the structure will be removed and a new single family home will be constructed. The applicant proposes a reduction from 10 feet to 8 feet along the Main Street side yard to allow construction of a new home of 1,630 feet. The two foot encroachment would provide approximately 56 square feet of additional construction space on the south side. The applicant feels that the 2 foot encroachment will result in a more pleasing design and appearance for the corner lot.

Public Hearing Opened: 6:40 p.m.

Cesar Rodriguez, representative for applicant, Philip Costales, was present to answer any questions pertaining to the proposed project. No questions or concerns were addressed to Mr. Rodriguez.

Public Hearing Closed: 6:41 p.m.

Chairman Mukai made a motion to approve Variance No. 10-01; this was second by Commissioner Monis and passed on a 3-0-0-2 vote.

Communications:

Chairman Mukai mentioned to the Commissioner if they would prefer receiving their Planning Commission Agendas information via electronic email instead of being hand delivered. It was determined to continue to hand deliver the packets due to oversized maps that may not be able to be printed.

Planning Consultant, Bruce O'Neal advised the Commission that there may be an Item presented on the Agenda for September 2, 2010.

Chairman Mukai reminded the Commission that if there is a problem in attending a meeting to be sure and notify Corina.

No other business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Corina Burrola
Planning Secretary