

SPECIAL SESSION

OCTOBER 6, 2015

The Zoning Board of Adjustments of the City of Athens, Texas met in Special Session on Tuesday, October 6 2015, 4:00 p.m. in the Derek Daniels Conference Room of the Athens Partnership Center, 201 W. Corsicana St., Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Jack Bateman, Chairman  
Mamie Stafford, Vice Chairman  
Morgan Jones  
Thomas Faulk  
Todd Fowler  
Bryan Barker, Alternate

Gary Crecelius, Director of Planning & Development  
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

others present: Michele Parolini, Stephanie Fuller;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

Member Bateman called the meeting to Order.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Member Fowler seconded by Member Faulk to elect Jack Bateman as the Chairman and to elect Mamie Stafford as the Vice Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 14, 2014 REGULAR SESSION.

A motion was made by Member Stafford, seconded by Member Fowler to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014 Regular Session, as written. The motion carried unanimously

PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SIGN VARIANCE FOR LOT 4, BLOCK 32, ATHENS ORIGINAL TOWN, OWNED BY EARL ANDERSON (419 SOUTH PALESTINE ST.)

Gary Crecelius, Director of Planning & Development, stated that the owner is requesting a variance to the City's Sign Ordinance. He stated Mr. Anderson's property is located on the corner of South Palestine St. and Robbins Road, thus giving him frontage on two streets. The sign Ordinance allows for a property to have a wall sign for each street frontage thus allowing Mr. Anderson to have two wall signs on his structure. Mr. Crecelius stated there are currently three wall signs on the property, one on the North side, one on the West side, and one on the South side of the structure, and Mr. Anderson is wanting to add a 44" x 96" electronic messaging center sign on the South side of the structure which would be two signs more than the sign Ordinance allows. He stated the variance would allow him to have four wall signs on the structure. He stated that fifteen (15) surrounding property owners were notified and no responses were received.

After discussion, the public hearing was closed.

CONSIDER SIGN VARIANCE FOR LOT 4, BLOCK 32, ATHENS ORIGINAL TOWN, OWNED BY EARL ANDERSON (419 S. PALESTINE ST.)

A motion was made by Member Jones, seconded by Member Faulk to approve the sign variance for Lot 4, Block 32, Athens Original Town, owned by Earl Anderson (419 South Palestine). The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes: Member Bateman, Member Stafford, Member Jones, and Member Faulk, Nays: None. Member Fowler abstained.

PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SIGN VARIANCE FOR LOTS 2A & 3, BLOCK 21, LARGE LOT, OWNED BY MICHELE PAROLINI (309 W. CORSICANA ST.)

Mr. Crecelius stated Michele Parolini, owner of Ole West Bean and Burger (309 E. Corsicana) is requesting a variance to the City Sign Ordinance Section 41.5 Wall Sign-e, states a business is allowed one wall sign for each street frontage. He explained the business only has one street frontage and Ms. Parolini is requesting a variance to the sign Ordinance that would allow her to attach three (3) wall signs to the business. Mr. Crecelius stated there were no written objections from any of the surrounding property owners.

After discussion, the public hearing was closed.

CONSIDER SIGN VARIANCE FOR LOTS 2A & 3, BLOCK 21, LARGE LOT, OWNED BY MICHELE PAROLINI (309 W. CORSICANA ST.).

A motion was made by Member Stafford, seconded by Member Faulk to approve the sign variance for Lots 2A & 3, Block 21, Large Lot, owned by Michele Parolini and allow the signs to remain until a detached pole sign is placed at which time two (2) of the signs must be removed from the property (309 W. Corsicana St.). The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2015.

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Jack Bateman, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary