

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS  
CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI  
May 22, 2024**

Be it remembered that the members of the Board of Adjustments & Appeals of the City of Starkville held their regularly scheduled meeting on May 22, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the conference room on the 2nd floor of City Hall located at 110 West Main Street, Starkville, MS.

There being physically present were Bill Webb, Chairman, Ward 6; Marco Nicovich, Vice Chairman, Ward 5; George Ford, Ward 1; Kurt Gaude Ward 2; Bo Richardson, Ward 3; Shawn Sullivan, Ward 7: and George Sills, Ward 4. City Planner Daniel Havelin and Assistant City Planner Lyle McCaskey were both present at the meeting in person, attending the Commissioners.

**OFFICIAL AGENDA  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS  
CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI  
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024  
2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR CITY HALL – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,  
110 WEST MAIN STREET, 4:00 PM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. CONSIDERATION OF THE OFFICIAL AGENDA
- IV. MINUTES
  - A. CONSIDERATION OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES FOR JANUARY 24, 2024
- V. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF VA 24-01 A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE FROM WALL SIGNAGE SIZE REQUIREMENTS AT 118 MS HIGHWAY 12 WEST, SUITE B, IN A C ZONING DISTRICT
- VI. PLANNER'S REPORT
- VII. ADJOURN

The Board considered the matter of the approval of the written agenda dated January 24, 2024. Upon the motion of Mr. Nicovich, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, the Board voted unanimously to approve the written agenda.

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

##### **A. APPROVAL OF THE UNAPPROVED MINUTES FOR JANUARY 24, 2024**

The Board considered approving the January 24, 2024, Board of Adjustments and Appeals meeting minutes. Upon Mr. Nicovich's motion, seconded by Mr. Ford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

#### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF VA 24-01 A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE FROM WALL SIGNAGE SIZE REQUIREMENTS AT 118 MS HIGHWAY 12 WEST, SUITE B, IN A C ZONING DISTRICT.**

Mr. McCaskey presented a request by Matt Largen with Headrick Signs & Graphics Inc. on behalf of Miskelly Furniture for a variance from wall sign size requirements at 118 MS Highway 12 West, Suite B. The applicant is in the process of remodeling the eastern portion of the former Vowell's grocery store building. As part of the remodel, there will be new signage associated with the new tenant. The applicant is proposing to install three separate signs on the front of the façade with a combined total square footage of 309.8 square feet. The maximum allowed total square footage in a C (commercial) zoning district is 150 square feet unless the building is more than 200 feet from the nearest adjacent street. If the building is more than 200 feet from the nearest adjacent street, the square footage can be increased to 250 square feet. The existing building is within 50 feet of Woods Street to the north and 264 feet of Highway 12 to the south. Therefore, with the distance to Woods Street being less than 200 feet, the signs are not eligible for the increased square footage. The applicant requests relief from Section 14.7.8.A.2. to allow for a total square footage of 309.8 square feet. The building has previously received a Special Exception from façade materials and a Variance from stormwater requirements from the Board of Aldermen.

The request was noticed in accordance with Section 3.7.3.E. 15 property owners of record were notified directly by mail of the request. A legal ad was published in the Starkville Daily News on April 27, 2024. A sign was posted on the property. As of this date, the Planning Office has received no response from the notifications.

Chairman Webb opened the public hearing to citizen comments.

Matt Largen spoke in favor of the request.

Calling for and receiving no comments, Chairman Webb closed the public hearing and opened the item up for discussion.

After a discussion and upon the motion of Mr. Sills, duly seconded by Mr. Sullivan, the Board voted unanimously to approve.

#### **VI. PLANNER'S REPORT**

Mr. Havelin and Mr. MeCaskey informed the board that there were currently no applications for the next scheduled meeting.

#### **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

After discussion, Mr. Nicovich moved to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Sullivan, and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn until 4:00 p.m. on June 26, 2024, in the second-floor conference room located at 110 West Main Street, Starkville, MS.

  
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Bill Webb, Chairman

  
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Daniel Havelin, City Planner