

APPROVED

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF JULY 29, 2015

THE CITY OF STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Starkville, Mississippi, held a Special Called meeting in the City Hall Courtroom at 101 E. Lampkin Street, Starkville, Mississippi, commencing at 5:30 PM. Commissioner Loveless moved to appoint Community Development Director Buddy Sanders as Procedural Chair, which was seconded by Commissioner Walker.

Procedural Chair Sanders called the meeting to order, and after the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, Recording Secretary Bill Green called roll. Present were Commissioners Michael Brooks, Jason Camp, Ira Loveless, Jim McReynolds, and John Moore. Also attending were Community Development Director Buddy Sanders, City Planner Daniel Havelin, Recording Secretary Bill Green, and City Attorney Chris Latimer, who was present via phone conference.

A CONSIDERATION OF THE WRITTEN AGENDA

The Commission considered the matter of approval of the written agenda dated July 29, 2015. There were no changes to the written agenda.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Procedural Chair Sanders asked if any member of the public cared to address the Commission regarding items not already on the Agenda. No citizens came forward.

NEW BUSINESS

A. CU 15-09 Request for Conditional Use to use temporary classrooms as “Educational Facilities” at Armstrong Middle School at 303 McKee Street.

City Planner Havelin introduced CU 15-09, a Public Hearing noticed by the City of Starkville for a request by Starkville Oktibbeha School District for a Conditional Use to use temporary classrooms as “Educational Facilities” at Armstrong Middle School at 303 McKee Street.

Due to the recent consolidation of the County and City schools, the student population at Armstrong Middle School has grown beyond the current capacity of the existing classrooms. As a short term solution, Starkville Oktibbeha School District is requesting a Conditional Use to allow for temporary classrooms to be placed on the property to serve the additional students.

Eighty-two property owners of record within 300 feet of the subject property were notified directly by mail of the request. A Public Hearing notice was published in the *Starkville Daily News* on July 14, 2015, and a placard was posted on the property. As of this date, the Planning Office has received no phone calls against this request.

Appendix A, Article VI, Section I of the City's Code of Ordinances provides five specific criteria for conditional use review and approval:

1. Land use compatibility: *The property is currently used as a school.*
2. Sufficient site size and adequate site specifications to accommodate the proposed use: *The site is adequately sized to accommodate the proposed addition.*
3. Proper use of mitigative techniques: *None proposed.*
4. Hazardous waste: *No hazardous wastes or materials would be generated, used or stored at the site.*
5. Compliance with applicable laws and ordinances: *Building the proposed addition will require building permits and inspections.*

After Mr. Havelin's presentation, Procedural Chair Sanders opened the Public Hearing, and a representative for the applicant, Mr. Holloway, came forward to speak regarding the need for the Conditional Use.

With none others coming forward to speak, Mr. Sanders closed the Public Hearing, and after discussion among the Commissioners, Commissioner Walker moved to approve CU 15-09, which was seconded by Commissioner Brooks, and the Commission voted unanimously to approve CU 15-09. The request will go before the Board of Aldermen at their next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, August 11, 2015, at 5:30 PM, in the City Hall Courtroom.

Buddy Sanders, Procedural Chair

Daniel Havelin, City Planner