



Minutes

March 15, 2016
Alexandria, Louisiana

The Board of Adjustments and Appeals (BAA) met in the Council Chambers at 4:00 P.M., March 14, 2016 pursuant to requests for a “VARIANCE.”

PRESENT: Mr. Mike Bordelon, Chairperson
Mr. Jack Hodges
Mr. Bryon Salazar

Jill Brittain, Zoning Analyst
Jamie Yaeger, Zoning Analyst

Mr. Bordelon opened the meeting at 4:00 P.M. Roll call was taken and announced a quorum. Mr. Bordelon proceeded with explaining the procedures and the Commissions responsibility as well as the expectations of the applicant and participants. Mr. Bordelon reads item #1 and asked the applicant to come forward and state their name and address.

ITEM #1 The application of Verizon Wireless, represented herein by Faulk & Foster requesting a VARIANCE to be out of compliance with City Code Section 28-5.3.2.F Height, Section 28-5.3.2.G Setbacks, Section 28-5.3.2.H Design, Section 28-5.3.2.I.4 Landscaping. The property is located at 1402 Harris Street, being Lot 2 of Sonia Subdivision, Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana and is within the zoning district known as “I-1”, Light Industrial District.

Mike Bordelon stated that all four variances would be looked at together, not individually. Ralph Wyngarden with Faulk and Foster, 1811 Auburn Ave, Monroe, LA, represented Verizon Wireless. Mr. Wyngarden expanded that the site had unique circumstances and was owned by Richard Kyle. Mr. Kyle owns seven of the ten surrounding parcels, and was present. The tower will be located towards the southern section of the parcel and will mostly affect Mr. Kyle’s properties. In an I-1 zone and is in line with the overpass and will not require to be lit. The tower will be no taller to the existing poles now, as to blend into the surroundings. The

surrounding properties have one story building on them, to buffer the view of the ground equipment.

Mr. Bordelon asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Hodges asked how tall the tower will be.

Mr. Wyngarden answered 150'.

Mr. Bordelon asked if it was 150' plus a ten feet lightning rod.

Mr. Wyngarden said that was correct.

Mr. Bordelon asked if the pole was a typical monopole.

Mr. Wyngarden said yes it was a steel monopole.

Mr. Bordelon asked if there were any other questions.

Mr. Bordelon asked if anyone had any objections.

Delores Brewer with the City of Alexandria wanted to make a statement. Ms. Brewer stated that the consultant that reviewed the application make positive comments regarding the application, and there was not an alternative location.

Mr. Salazar made a motion to grant the VARIANCE, and was seconded by Mr. Hodges. Roll was taken by Ms. Brittain, all in favor to grant the VARIANCE. Motion Carried.

Mr. Hodges made a motion to accept the minutes and was seconded by Mr. Salazar.

Mr. Bordelon made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Hodges.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Mike Bordelon, Chairman