The Residential Design Compatibility Commission convened in a regular meeting on June 4, 2012, City Hall, Boards and Commission Room, 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

William Burkhardt called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance: William Burkhardt, Karen McGraw, Missy Bledsoe, Mary Ingle

Commissioners Absent: Lucy Katz, Chuck Mains, Keith Jackson

City Staff: Sylvia Benavidez

A. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 4 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

Blake Tollett from the Austin Neighborhood Group spoke on the short term rentals that will be discussed on Thursday’s Council meeting.

B. RESIDENTIAL DESIGN AND COMPATIBILITY STANADARD

B-1 2012-047087PR  Roberto & Elizabeth Sanchez
814 E 46th Street

The applicant has requested a modification to allow a F.A.R. increase from the maximum development permitted in Chapter 25-2 of the Land Development Code, Section 2.1 Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards from the allowable 40% (2529.6 sq ft) to 50% (3161 sq ft) to built a second story addition to a single family residence in a SF-3 NP-NCCD zoning district.
COMMISSION'S DECISION: The public hearing was closed on Commissioner Mary Ingle motion to POSTPONE Commissioner Missy Bledsoe second on a 4 to 0 vote. Motion POSTPONED for August 1, 2012.

B-2  2012-036829PR   Eleanor Reshetnikov  
     1807 Stamford Lane

The applicant has requested a modification to allow a F.A.R. increase from the maximum development permitted in Chapter 25-2 of the Land Development Code, Section 2.1 Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards from the allowable 40% (4425.6 sq ft) to 48.2% (5335 sq ft) to built a detached single story accessory structure (bathroom/storage) in a SF-3 zoning district.

COMMISSION’S DECISION: The public hearing was closed on Commissioner Mary Ingle motion to POSTPONE Commissioner Missy Bledsoe second on a 4 to 0 vote. Motion POSTPONED for July 12, 2012.

B-3  2012-047563R     David Whitworth  
     David Whitworth Development Company  
     5502 Jeff Dr.

The applicant has requested a modification to allow a F.A.R. increase from the maximum development permitted in Chapter 25-2 of the Land Development Code, Section 2.1 Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards from the allowable 40% (2880 sq ft.) to 42.8 (3082 sq ft) to built a new 2 Story Single Family Duplex in a SF3-NP zoning district.

COMMISSION’S DECISION: The public hearing was closed on Commissioner Karen McGraw motion to DENY. Commissioner Mary Ingle second on a 4 to 0 vote. DENIED.
The applicant has requested a modification to allow a F.A.R. increase from the maximum development permitted in Chapter 25-2 of the Land Development Code, Section 2.1 Subchapter F: Residential Design and Compatibility Standards from the allowable 40% (2895.6 sq ft.) to 42.6 (3082 sq ft) to build a new 2 Story Single Family Duplex in a SF3-NP zoning district.

COMMISSION’S DECISION: The public hearing was closed on Commissioner Karen McGraw motion to DENY. Commissioner Mary Ingle second on a 4 to 0 vote. DENIED.

C DISCUSSION ITEMS:

C-1 Status on Amending Ordinance 20080618-93 to put back the language that was removed from ordinance 20060622-22 E (3) an areas with a ceiling height greater than 15 ft is counted twice.

RCA submittal on May 24 2012 to set public hearing for action on June 14, 2012.

C-2 Subchapter F Attic Exemption Criteria (4-9-2012 – BOA interpretation)

- Attic Exemption sample drawing

Drawing & Clarification to be submitted at the next RDCC meeting

C-3 Work group status – RDCC submittal sample packets

- Building line parallel to Street (staff update)
- Application change process –(staff update)
Commissioner Karen McGraw recommended to move forward with the rules posting process quickly and the work group status on agenda should be changed on the next agenda to say “update on rules posting for revised application”.

Commissioner William Burkhardt recommended that the rules posting process be posted on the earliest date available.

D  APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

D-1  May 2, 2012 (Commissioner Lucy Katz)

COMMISSION’S DECISION: The public hearing was closed on Commissioner Karen McGraw motion to APPROVE, Commissioner Missy Bledsoe second on a 4 to 0 vote; APPROVED.  (Commissioner Lucy Katz, Commissioner Keith Jackson, Commissioner Chuck Mains, ABSENT)

ADJOURNMENT

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