



**Residential Design Compatibility Commission  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
November 2, 2011**

**The Residential Design Compatibility Commission convened in a regular meeting on November 2, 2011, City Hall, Boards and Commission Room, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Austin, Texas.**

**William Burkhardt called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**

**Commissioners in Attendance: William Burkhardt, Karen McGraw, Mary Ingle, Lucy Katz, Chuck Mains, Missy Bledsoe**

**Commissioners Absent: 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.

**B. RESIDENTIAL DESIGN AND COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS**

**B-1 2011-083306RA Edward Gordon  
705 Baylor 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% (2994 sq ft) to 50 % (3742 sq ft) to permit an existing 2<sup>nd</sup> story floor addition/attic to an existing sf residence in a SF3-HD-NP zoning district.

**POSTPONED TO DECEMBER 7, 2011**

**B-2 2011-061165RA David Pena  
4903 Avenue G**

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% (2500sq ft) to 50 % (625 sq ft) for a 2nd story addition over existing sf residential detached garages for home office/storage and add breezeway in a SF3-NCCD- NP zoning district.

**The public hearing was closed on Commissioner Lucy Katz motion to Grant, Commissioner Chuck Mains second on a 4 to 2 vote; GRANTED with a FAR increase of 625 sq ft.**

**C. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

C-1 Administrative Appeal Process

**Postponed for December 7, 2011**

C-2 Interested Party Process

**Postponed for December 7, 2011**

C-3 Work Session Meeting

**Scheduled for November 30, 2011 from 2:30-4:00pm at 505 Barton Springs Rd. 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference Room**

- **Shed roof and attic exemption**
- **1704 determination relative to McMansion**

C-4 Status of Draft Language to amend 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.

**Commissioner William Burkhardt to provide update on the ordinance change and suggested that a couple of the original task force members attend the next meeting scheduled for December 7, 2011.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES October 5, 2011**

**Commissioner Karen McGraw motion to APPROVE, Commissioner Mary Ingle second on a 6-0 vote. APPROVED.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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