

# **Board of Zoning Adjustment**

DATE: April 25, 2023

TO: Board of Zoning and Adjustments: Delayne Dean, Chair, Brad Townsend, Chester Ayers, George Allen, Michael Maurer, and Mark McCurry

**BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT** 

APRIL 25, 2023 Pre-meeting – 3:30 p.m. (Council Chambers)

Meeting – 4:00 p.m. (Council Chambers)

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#### **MARCH 2023 MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Delayne Dean, Mr. Brad Townson, Mr. Chester Ayers
SUPERNUMERARIES:	Mr. J. Michael Maurer, Mr. Mark McCurry
COPIED TO:	Rev. George Allen
<b>OTHERS PRESENT:</b>	Mrs. Ruth Priest, Asst. City Attorney Mr. Lee Terry, Planning Department Mr. Bob Sims, Building Inspector Mrs. Nancy Whiteside, Recorder

Chair, Delayne Dean called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the council chambers on the first floor at City Hall.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, called the roll.

The minutes from the February 2023 meeting were approved. Mr. Brad Townson motioned to approve the minutes. Mr. Chester Ayers seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

#### CASE NO. 1

Application and appeal of Cassandra D. Tatum for a determination as a use permitted on appeal as allowed in Section 25-95 and as defined in Article IV, as amended and adopted, of the Zoning Ordinance in order to operate a Group Day Care Facility operating from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. located at 1911 7<sup>th</sup> St SE. The property is located in a R-3 Single-Family Residential District.

Ms. Cassandra Tatum presented this case to the Board. Ms. Tatum stated her name is Cassandra Tatum and her address is 1911 7<sup>th</sup> St SE. Ms. Tatum stated she would like to open a home daycare with six children. Chair Dean verified Ms. Tatum's last name she had given her maiden name.

Chair Dean called for questions from the Board.

Mr. Brad Townson verified with Ms. Tatum that she was asking for a daycare that would only include six children or less, Ms. Tatum agreed by stating yes.

Mr. Brad Townson verified the hours of operation to be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ms. Tatum replied yes.

Chair Dean stated to Ms. Tatum that she could operate until 7 p.m. in accordance with the type of daycare, Ms. Tatum understood.

Chair Dean asked if there were any more questions from the Board or comments from the public, there were no comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comments.

Mr. Lee Terry, Planning Department, had no comments. Mr. Chester Ayers motioned to approve this case as submitted. Mr. Mark McCurry seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

## CASE NO. 2

Application and appeal of Habitat for Humanity of Morgan County for a 1.72 foot front yard setback variance from Section 25-10.3 (2) (d) of the Zoning Ordinance after the initial placement of a porch has encroached into the setback. The property is located at 408 Fairmont Court SW, in a R-5 Single Family Residential District.

Mr. Marlon Morris, representative for Habitat for Humanity presented this case to the Board.

Chair Dean asked Mr. Morris to state his address.

Mr. Morris stated his address was 1123 Central Parkway, Decatur 35601.

Chair Dean asked Mr. Morris to tell the Board what he would like the Board to do for him.

Mr. Morris stated that a 1.72- square foot front-yard setback variance is requested due to a redesign of the house after the house was staked out.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board.

Mr. Brad Townson stated the request was understood and there were no questions.

Chair Dean asked for comments from the public, there were no comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comment.

Mr. Lee Terry, Planning Department, had no comment.

Mr. Brad Townson motioned to approve this case as submitted. Mr. Chester Ayers seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

#### CASE NO. 3

Application and appeal of Decatur Family Eye Care, LLC (Jonathan Davis) for a 15 foot setback variance from Section 25-77 (e) (3) in order to place at sign located at 2026 6<sup>th</sup> Av SE. The property is located in a B-2 General Business District.

Mr. Jonathan Davis presented this case to the Board. Mr. Davis stated his name is Jonathan Davis and his address is 2026 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Decatur.

Chair Dean asked Mr. Morris to tell the Board what he would like the Board to do for him.

Mr. Davis stated he was requesting a 15-foot variance on a setback to put a new sign on his property.

Mr. Davis stated that the 15-foot setback would keep him out of the driveway and not in front of another sign.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board.

Chair Dean stated it was discussed in the pre-meeting and although the sign will be close to the property line there is still a big right of way for the road.

Chair Dean asked for comments from the public, there were no comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comment.

Mr. Lee Terry, Planning Department, had no comment.

Mr. Michael Maurer motioned to approve this case as submitted. Mr. Mark McCurry seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

#### CASE NO. 4

Application and appeal of Michael A. Burnett II or Kristin H. Burnett for a 20 foot rear yard setback variance from Section 25-10.8 (2) (d) in order to extend the house toward the rear lot line. The property is located at 2307 Horsetree Place SE in a R-1 Single-Family Residential District.

Mr. Peyton Morris, Morris Development, presented this case to the Board.

Mr. Morris stated he was representing the Michael and Kristin Burnett.

Mr. Morris stated his address is 5519 Indian Hills Rd SE.

Mr. Morris stated the request is for a 20-foot rear yard setback variance in order to add a covered porch.

Mr. Morris stated the house had storm damage and a wing of the house needed demolished.

Mr. Morris stated the build back design is 10 feet further from the property line and the Burnett's would like to extend out with a 22 foot covered porch, which will put the build 12 feet into the setbacks.

Mr. Morris stated there has not been any surveys completed at this time.

Mr. Morris stated the request is for more space than needed in case the property lines are not exactly where believed to be.

Mr. Morris stated the house when originally built was positioned 30-feet off the road than need be so the Burnett's do not have much space to extend in the back yard.

Chair Dean stated she understood that the refuge was located behind the property and never developed, Mr. Morris agreed.

Chair Dean asked for questions from the Board, there were no further comments.

Mr. Bob Sims, Building Department, had no comment.

Mr. Lee Terry, Planning Department, had no comment.

Mrs. Ruth Priest, Asst. City Attorney, asked Mr. Morris to sign the application showing he was the representative for the Burnett's. Mr. Morris signed the application. Mr. Brad Townson motioned to approve this case as submitted. Mr. Michael Maurer seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

### CASE NO. 5

Application and appeal of Encore Rehabilitation, Inc. for a 72 square foot area variance from Section 25-77 (c)(3) and a 25 foot setback variance from Section 25-78 in order to install a sign located at 251 Johnston St SE. The property is located in a B-5 Central Business District.

Mr. Jonathan Henderson presented this case to the Board.

Mr. Henderson was representing Encore Rehab located at 251 Johnston St. SE.

Mr. Henderson stated he was requesting a setback variance to install a sign.

Chair Dean asked Mr. Henderson if a survey was completed. Mr. Henderson stated a survey was not been done yet.

Chair Dean explained to Mr. Henderson that to understand the request a survey showing the property lines was needed.

Chair Dean explained to Mr. Henderson that if the Board votes on the request a decision had to be made.

Chair Dean advised Mr. Henderson the Board feels as though there is not enough information to discuss the request.

Chair Dean advised Mr. Henderson if the Board were to discuss the request a decision would be made either yes or no and she personally recommended the request be tabled until next month and get a survey, Mr. Henderson agreed.

Chair Dean explained to Mr. Henderson if voted on today and denied the application process would start all over again.

Mr. Henderson agreed and requested to table the request until the April 25<sup>th</sup> 2023 meeting.

Mr. Brad Townson motion to table the request until April. Mr. Mark McCurry seconded the motion.

On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

## New Business:

Chair Dean announced starting in April the pre-meeting will take place in the council chamber no longer upstairs on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor and the pre-meeting will not be streamed. The pre-meeting will begin at 3:30 unless otherwise noted.

Mr. Mark McCurry motioned to move the pre-meeting location to the Council Chambers and Mr. Brad Towson seconded the motion. On a roll-call vote of 5-0 the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

De Layne Dean, Chair

# AGENDA

# April 2023

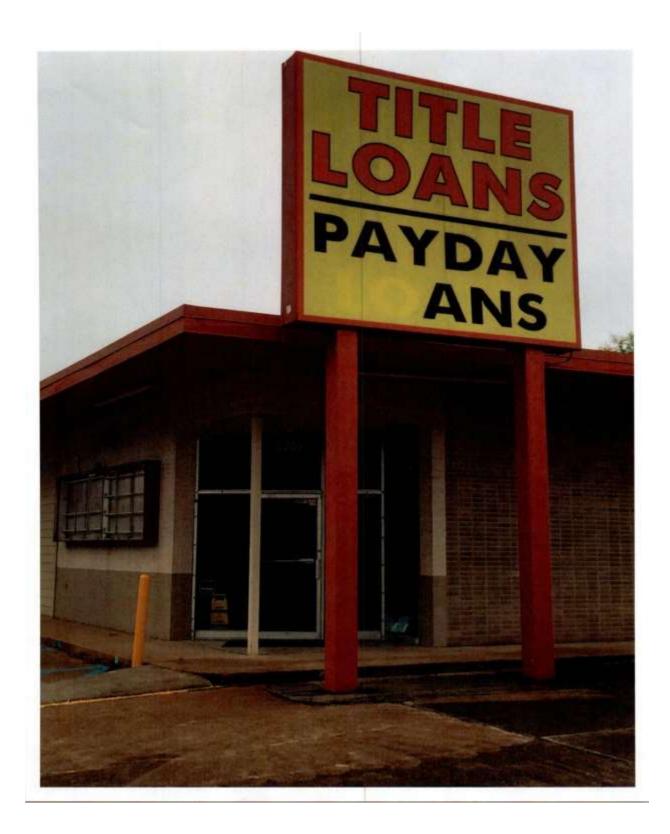
The Board of Zoning Adjustment of the City of Decatur will hold a public meeting in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF City Hall, 402 Lee Street NE, on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. And, also broadcast live on City of Decatur You Tube Channel at <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/Cityof</u> DecaturAl for the purpose of hearing the following applications and appeals at which time all interested parties are requested to the be present and will be given an opportunity to be heard. Submit questions via email at <u>bozaquestions@decatur-al.gov</u>.

## CASE NO. 1

Application and appeal of S & S Liquor for a 9 inch height variance from Section 25-77 (e) (3) in order to install a sign located at 1315 6<sup>th</sup> Av SE. The property is located in a R-D Redevelopment District.

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