
CITY OF COLUMBIA
DESIGN / DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMISSION
February 7, 2020
Special Called Meeting Minutes – 12:00PM
City Hall • 3rd Floor, Council Chambers • 1737 Main Street • Columbia, SC

Members Present: Bob Broom, Paul Bouknight, Harris Cohn, Sanford Dinkins, Tom Savory, Angi Fuller Wildt

Members Absent: Ashley Johnson, Michel Moore

Staff: Amy Moore, Lucinda Statler, Rachel Walling, Megan McNish, Kristina Poston, Johnathan Chambers, Rachel Bailey, John Fellows, Andrea Wolfe

The meeting is open to the public, but is not a public hearing. No other business will be discussed or acted on.

*** Prior to entering the meeting please turn ALL electronic devices to a silent, vibrate or off position.***

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 12:00PM by Chairman, Tom Savory. Roll call, quorum established.

Motion by Mr. Dinkins to enter into Executive Session to receive legal advice related to a pending, threatened, or potential claim, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2).

Motion seconded by Ms. Fuller Wildt. Motion passes 6-0.

Executive Session entered into at 12:05pm.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The receipt of legal advice related to a pending, threatened, or potential claim, pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2).

--1600-1620 Gervais Street (TMS# 11401-09-01, 03, 05)

Motion by Mr. Dinkins to move out of Executive Session at 12:40pm.

Mr. Savory stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion seconded by Mr. Cohn.

Motion passes 6-0.

III. ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION

1) Consideration of motion to rescind action taken at January 9, 2020, DDRC hearing regarding 1600-1620 Gervais Street (TMS# 11401-09-01, 03, 05) Request for Certificate of Design Approval for new construction. City Center Design/Development District

2) Consideration of motion to rescind action taken at January 9, 2020, DDRC hearing regarding 1600-1620 Gervais Street (TMS# 11401-09-01, 03, 05) Request for Site Plan Approval for new construction. City Center Design/Development District.

Motion by Mr. Cohn to rescind the actions taken by the DDRC regarding the application at

1600-1620 Gervais Street at the January 9th meeting for Certificate of Design Approval and Site Plan approval.

Motion seconded by Mr. Dinkins.

Mr. Savory restated the motion regarding application at 1600-1620 Gervais Street, which is to rescind the actions taken by the D/DRC at the January 9th meeting to deny a Certificate of Design Approval and the Site Plan Approval.

Mr. Savory invited members of the public to speak in favor or opposition of the request.

Dick Harpootlian, attorney and member of the SC Senate, voiced opposition.

Tom Gottshall, president of University Neighborhood Association, voiced opposition.

Lyndey Bryant, counsel for Trinitas Development, LLC (applicant), voiced support.

April Lucas, neighborhood resident, voiced opposition.

Jim Daniel, resident, voiced opposition.

Pete Balthazor, attorney for the DDRC, clarified that the purpose of today's meeting was simply to consider and to hear whether a motion would be made by a commission member.

There were no further comments.

Mr. Savory asked for a vote on the motion that has been made, and seconded, to rescind the actions taken by the D/DRC at the January 9, 2020 meeting to deny the Certificate of Design Approval and the Site Plan Approval for 1600-1620 Gervais Street.

Staff noted the motion was made by Mr. Cohn, and seconded by Mr. Dinkins.

Mr. Bouknight – No

Mr. Broom – Yes

Mr. Cohn – Yes

Mr. Dinkins – Yes

Ms. Fuller Wildt – No

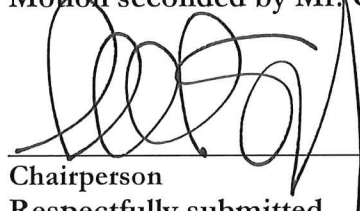
Mr. Savory – Abstain

Motion passes 3 -2 with 1 abstention

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Mr. Dinkins.

Motion seconded by Mr. Cohn. Motion passes 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:00PM.



Chairperson
Respectfully submitted
Planning and Development Services Department

Date