

CITY OF SNELLVILLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

SPECIALLY CALED MEETING MINUTES October 17, 2023

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2342 Oak Road

Members Present: Tim Van Valkenburg, Chairman; Emmett Clower, Deborah Jones, Betty Ann Kumin, and Lori-Ann Spears.

Members Absent: None. Post 1 is vacant.

Staff Present: Jason Thompson, Planning Director; and John Dennis, Zoning Administrator.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Valkenburg called the October 17, 2023 specially called meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Emmett Clower made a motion to accept the October 17th meeting agenda.

Betty Ann Kumin made a second to the motion.

A vote was taken; voted five (5) in favor, zero (0) opposed, motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Emmett Clower made a motion to approve the September 12, 2023 regular meeting minutes as revised.

Deborah Jones made a second to the motion.

A vote was taken; voted five (5) in favor, zero (0) opposed, motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

#BOA 23-03 - Application by Supreme Sign Services (applicant) and GRI-EQY Presidential Markets LLC (property owner) requesting variance from Sec. 207-6.4.B.2. (Wall Signs) of Article 7 of Chapter 200 of the Unified Development Ordinance to increase the maximum allowable wall sign area by 37.873 SF from 157.04 SF to 194.913 SF for a Nordstrom Rack wall sign on the front storefront building elevation, Presidential Markets Shopping Center, 1905 Scenic Highway N, Suite 5000, Snellville, Georgia (Tax Parcel 5040 214).

Planning Director Jason Thompson presented a summary of the request for variance to increase the maximum allowable wall signage by 25% (195 sq. ft. total sign area) for a new Nordstrom Rack going into the former Bed Bath & Beyond location in the Presidential Markets Shopping Center. The proposed Nordstrom Rack wall sign represents a reduction of 155 sq. ft. from the former Bed Bath & Beyond wall sign. The 25% additional requested wall sign area is consistent with previously approved variances approved by the Planning Director as administrative variances. The Planning Department recommends approval with the one condition that the applicant obtain an approved wall sign permit from the city before installation of any new wall signage.

Mr. Thompson responded to questions from the Board.

Gabriella Andreozzi, Supreme Sign Services, 5915 New Bethany Road, Suite A, Buford, Georgia was present and answered questions from the Board.

Chairman Valkenburg opened the meeting to public comment.

There was none.

Chairman Valkenburg closed the meeting to public comment and asked for a motion.

Deborah Jones made a motion to approve #BOA 23-03.

Emmett Clower made a second to the motion.

A vote was taken; voted five (5) in favor, zero (0) opposed, motion approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jason Thompson announced that the November 14th regular meeting is cancelled; however we are expecting to receive an application for the December regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Emmett Clower.

Lori-Ann Spears made a second to the motion.

A vote was taken; voted five (5) in favor, zero (0) opposed, motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Tim Van Valkenburg, Chairman

John Dennis, Secretary

THESE ARE OFFICIAL MINUTES AND WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF APPEALS AT THE DECEMBER 12, 2023 REGULAR MEETING.