

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
September 17, 2015

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 9:30 a.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Lisa Bender (Chair), Lisa Goodman, Andrew Johnson, Kevin Reich, Abdi Warsame

Members Absent: Council Member Barbara Johnson

Chair Bender introduced the first public hearing item on the agenda and called on staff Hilary Dvorak to present.

1. Setback variance appeal: Peter Coyle with Larkin Hoffman Attorneys, on behalf of CBS Corp. (WCCO), 89-91 10th St S and 1016 Marquette Ave ([15-01120](#))

Considering an appeal submitted by Peter Coyle with Larkin Hoffman Attorneys, on behalf of CBS Corporation (WCCO), of the decision of the City Planning Commission approving with conditions a variance application (BZZ-7170) to reduce the south interior side yard setback from 15 feet to one foot for the building wall, and to two inches for the balconies facing the property line, to allow construction of a 20-story, 293-unit residential building with ground floor commercial space, for the Handicraft Building City Apartments development located at 89-91 10th St S and 1016 Marquette Ave.

The public hearing was opened at 9:36 a.m. and the following persons spoke:

- 1) Carol Lansing
- 2) Peter Coyle, Larkin Hoffman

Seeing no further persons wishing to speak, the public hearing closed at 9:39 a.m.

Council Members Goodman, Reich, Bender, and A. Johnson commented on the appeal.

On motion by Goodman, carried on voice vote, the appeal was granted in part, as follows: Reduce the south interior side yard setback from 15 feet to 1 foot for the building wall (as reflected in the City Planning Commission meeting actions dated August 3, 2015), and to 2.5 feet for the balconies facing the property line, as shown in the south wall plan detail and south wall section detail submitted at the September 17, 2015, Zoning & Planning Committee.

The following staff directive was issued by Council Member Goodman: No building permits are to be issued until such time that issues regarding crane tethering and shared use of the alley for deliveries are resolved.

Chair Bender introduced the second public hearing item on the agenda and called on staff Mary Altman to present.

2. Arts Commission ordinance ([15-00026](#))

Considering an ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 36 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Administration: Arts Commission, declaring dedicated funding to public art in Minneapolis, defining related terms, and expanding the purpose and duties of the Arts Commission.
(Refer to W&M)

The public hearing was opened at 10:03 and the following persons spoke:

- 1) Leslie Palmer Ross, 1400 Van Buren St NE
- 2) Brenda Kayzar, 215 7th St NE
- 3) Bob Kost, 2300 Myrtle Ave
- 4) Becky Franklin, 5401 Oliver Ave S
- 5) (unclear), 3730 Chicago Ave S

Seeing no further persons wishing to speak, the public hearing closed at 10:16 a.m.

Council Member Goodman commented on the ordinance and indicated she was not in agreement with Recommendation Part 2. Council Member Reich stated staff would work with the attorney's office on an amendment revising Recommendation Part 2, to be brought forward at the September 25, 2015, Council meeting.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the ordinance was approved and referred to the September 21, 2015, Ways & Means Committee meeting.

Chair Bender motioned for Item #3 to be removed from the Consent agenda and placed as Discussion along with Public Hearing Item #1. Approved on voice vote.

3. Vacation of air rights over a portion of the public alley: Village Green, part of the alley in Block 13 of Snyder & Company's Addition, adjacent to 89-91 10th St S and 1016 Marquette Ave. ([15-01086](#))
 - a. Approving an application submitted by Village Green to vacate part of the alley in Block 13 of Snyder & Company's Addition. The area to be vacated would be 16 feet wide by 72 feet long and would extend 16.5 feet over the alley grade.
 - b. Passage of Resolution approving vacation (Vac-1643) of air rights over a portion of a public alley.

On motion by Bender, carried on voice vote, the vacation was approved.

Items 4-6 were introduced by Chair Bender as the Consent agenda, and the following actions were taken.

4. Vacation of a public alley: Hennepin Healthcare System, block bounded by 8th St S, Chicago Ave S, 9th St S, and Park Ave S ([15-01121](#))
 - a. Approving an application submitted by Hennepin Healthcare System to vacate the public alley located on the block bounded by 8th St S, Chicago Ave S, 9th St S, and Park Ave S, subject to conditions.
 - b. Passage of Resolution approving vacation (Vac-1648) of a public alley.

On motion by Bender, carried on voice vote, the vacation was approved.

5. Vacation: A portion of 24th Ave S from E 32nd St to the Metro Transit LRT tracks ([15-01157](#))
 - a. Approving an application submitted by Wellington Management to vacate 24th Ave S from E 32nd St to the Metro Transit LRT tracks.
 - b. Passage of Resolution approving vacation (Vac-1646) of a portion of 24th Ave S.

On motion by Bender, carried on voice vote, the vacation was approved.

6. Restaurant regulations ordinance ([15-00660](#))

Passage of ordinance amending Title 20, Chapter 536 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Specific Development Standards, amending regulations for restaurants to reflect recent changes to the City Charter.

On motion by Bender, carried on voice vote, the ordinance was approved.

Seeing no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Reported by Diana Armstrong, Council Committee Coordinator