

**PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS – 1ST FLOOR
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2013 – 6:30 P.M.**

Cumulative

Board Members	Attendance	June 2012-May 2013	
		Present	Absent
Patrick McTigue, Chair	P	10	1
Leo Hansen, Vice Chair	P	10	1
Brad Cohen	P	8	0
Stephanie Desir-Jean	P	9	2
Michael Ferber	P	9	2
James McCulla	P	10	1
Michelle Tuggle	P	11	0
Tom Welch	P	9	2
Peter Witschen	P	9	2

It was noted that a quorum was present at the meeting.

Staff

Ella Parker, Urban Design and Planning Manager
D'Wayne Spence, Assistant City Attorney
Jenni Morejon, Urban Design and Development
Anthony Fajardo, Urban Design and Development
Tom Lodge, Urban Design and Development
Todd Okolichany, Urban Design and Development
Yvonne Redding, Urban Design and Development
Randall Robinson, Urban Design and Development
Linda Mia Franco, Urban Design and Development
Tom White, City Landscape Architect
Al Battle, Northwest CRA Director
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communications to City Commission

None.

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	<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Applicant</u>
1.	Item of Discussion	
2.	1Z13** *	City of Fort Lauderdale / Townsend Park
3.	2Z13** *	Saint John United Methodist Church

4. 7ZR12** * Second Avenue Properties / Boat Owners Warehouse
5. ~~4P13**~~ ~~Gunther Motors Company / Gunther Motors Plat~~
6. ~~1P13**~~ ~~New Mount Olive Baptist Church, Inc. / New Mount Olive Baptist Church Plat~~
7. ~~1T13*~~ ~~Downtown RAC Flexibility Units~~
8. ~~6T13*~~ ~~City of Fort Lauderdale~~
9. ~~3Z13** *~~ ~~City of Fort Lauderdale~~
10. 3T13* City of Fort Lauderdale
11. 4T13* City of Fort Lauderdale
12. 5T13* City of Fort Lauderdale
13. ~~Communication to the City Commission~~
14. ~~For the Good of the City~~

~~Special Notes:~~

~~Local Planning Agency (LPA) items (*)~~ – In these cases, the Planning and Zoning Board will act as the Local Planning Agency (LPA). Recommendation of approval will include a finding of consistency with the City's Comprehensive Plan and the criteria for rezoning (in the case of rezoning requests).

~~Quasi-Judicial items (**)~~ – Board members disclose any communication or site visit they have had pursuant to Section 47-1.13 of the ULDR. All persons speaking on quasi-judicial matters will be sworn in and will be subject to cross-examination.

~~Chair McTigue called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. The Chair introduced the Board members, and Urban Design and Planning Manager Ella Parker introduced the Staff members present. Attorney Spence explained the quasi-judicial process used by the Board.~~

~~Chair McTigue advised that Applicants are allowed 15 minutes for their presentations; representatives of associations and groups are allowed five minutes, and individual speakers are allowed three minutes each.~~

~~**Motion** made by Ms. Tuggle, seconded by Mr. McCulla, to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2013 minutes. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.~~

~~communities have done to address similar issues so the Board could arrive at “a median position” on the improvement of the Corridor.~~

~~Chair McTigue announced that Staff wished to table the Item until May 15, the next Board meeting, in order to further explore the issues raised by the Board.~~

~~**Motion** made by Mr. Witschen, seconded by Mr. Ferber, to defer.~~

~~Ms. Tuggle asked if the position recommended by Staff, which would terminate the businesses in question after a specific time, was a legal position. Attorney Spence confirmed this.~~

~~Mr. Cohen asked that Staff provide a clearer map with the data showing the proximity of criminal activity to the convenience and liquor stores within the Northwest area. He also asked how many convenience stores are within the entire City and its various communities, such as the beach area or specific neighborhoods. He explained that the map did not appear to be sufficiently definitive to be helpful.~~

In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 9-0.

10. City of Fort Lauderdale

Anthony Gregory Fajardo

3T13

Request: * Amendment to City’s Unified Development Regulations; Revision to Section 47-22.4, to allow proposed signage that does not comply with the requirements for signs in the RAC zoning districts, including the Central Beach zoning districts, through a site plan level II development permit with a fifteen (15) day period for Commission Request for Review

General Location: All Regional Activity Center Zoning Districts

District: 2, 3, 4

Mr. Fajardo advised that this Item applied to the maximum number of signs at a single location. The recommendation is based on a communication to the City Commission from the Planning and Zoning Board in October 2012, which requested that the process for signage approval be streamlined within the City’s Regional Activity Center (RAC) zoning districts.

Current requirements allow for any signage that does not meet the standard requirements of Sign Code to come before the Board for the consideration of dimensions and criteria that are outside of regulations. Staff recommends Site Plan Level 2 review, with a 15-day call-up period to the City Commission if they determine that the proposed signage does not meet the intent of the RAC. The amendment would apply to the Central Beach RAC, Downtown RAC, South RAC, and Northwest RAC.

Mr. McCulla asked if Staff would have the ability to identify unusual cases and send these to the Board. Mr. Fajardo said under the proposed recommendation, there would not be a situation in which signage would come before the Board unless it was denied at the DRC level, in which case there is a standard appeal process.

There being no further questions from the Board at this time, Chair McTigue opened the public hearing. As there were no members of the public wishing to speak on this Item, Chair McTigue closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Motion made by Vice Chair Hansen, seconded by Mr. McCulla, to approve. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 8-0. (Mr. Cohen was not present during the vote.)

11. City of Fort Lauderdale

Anthony Gregory Fajardo

4T13

~~Request: * Amendment to City's Unified Development Regulations; Revision to Section 47-19.3, to allow the City Commission to grant a waiver of limitations for docks located in annexed areas of Riverland Road and Melrose Park to extend into the waterway subject to current criteria~~

~~General Location: Riverland Road and Melrose Park Annexed Areas~~

~~District: 3 & 4~~

~~Mr. Fajardo stated that this Item is related to the waiver of dock limitations. Current Code requirements allow a request for such a waiver to be brought before the City Commission for consideration. When the areas of Riverland Road and Melrose Park were annexed into the City, there was an oversight with regard to extension into the waterway, which has been allowed by County Code in the past. Mr. Fajardo advised that this does not seem to have been intentionally omitted from the Code revision.~~

~~The proposed amendment would revise the appropriate section of Code to allow an Applicant to come before the City Commission and request waivers for mooring devices, such as boat lifts and mooring piles, to extend further into the waterway. Mr. Fajardo cited a recent case in which an Applicant was required to seek a variance in order to make repairs on an existing dock due to this oversight.~~

~~Mr. McCulla asked what would happen if two docks, located on adjacent properties, were subject respectively to County and City provisions. He asked which dock would be allowed to extend further into the water. Mr. Fajardo said the dock subject to City regulation would typically be allowed the greater~~