

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING MINUTES DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT 700 NW 19 AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33311 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Board Members	Attendance	Present	Absent
Michael Weymouth, Chair	Р	4	0
Brad Cohen, Vice Chair	P	2	2
John Barranco	Р	3	1
Mary Fertig	P	3	1
Steve Ganon	P	3	1
Marilyn Mammano	P	3	1
Shari McCartney	P	4	0
Patrick McTigue	P	4	0
Jay Shechtman	P	3	1

Staff

Shari Wallen, Assistant City Attorney Jim Hetzel, Principal Urban Planner Karlanne Devonish, Urban Design and Planning Nancy Garcia, Urban Design and Planning Leslie Harmon, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communication to City Commission

Motion made by Vice Chair Cohen, seconded by Ms. Fertig, to allow video appearance at board meetings when there is a quorum physically present, with remote appearance permitted no more than three times a year, and that members attending remotely be allowed to participate and vote. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 8-1 (Chair Weymouth dissenting).

I. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Weymouth called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Chair introduced the Board members present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES / DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Motion made by Ms. McCartney, seconded by Mr. Ganon, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Vice Chair Cohen and Ms. Fertig arrived at 6:03 p.m.

III. PUBLIC SIGN-IN / SWEARING-IN

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sections already have their own subsections which provide for their notice requirements. It would be redundant to include the above terms.

At this time Chair Weymouth opened the public hearing. As there were no individuals wishing to speak on the Item, the Chair closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Motion made by Mr. McTigue, seconded by Ms. Mammano, to approve. In a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously (9-0).

3. CASE: UDP-T23008

REQUEST: * Amend City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-29, Administration and Boards, General

APPLICANT: City of Fort Lauderdale
GENERAL LOCATION: Citywide
CASE PLANNER: Karlanne Devonish

Ms. Devonish stated that this amendment would address ULDR Section 47-29, which covers administration and boards. It would change the number of years that Planning and Zoning Board and Historic Preservation Board members will serve. The reason for the amendment is consistency with the City Commission terms, which have been changed from three to four years.

Ms. Mammano asked how this change would affect current Board members. Assistant City Attorney Shari Wallen explained that the amendment would be effective as of the date the Ordinance is passed by the City Commission. Once it has been adopted, current members' terms would change to four years total.

At this time Chair Weymouth opened the public hearing. As there were no individuals wishing to speak on the Item, the Chair closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Mr. Ganon observed that the current City Commissioners' terms will be up in November 2024, when they will be reelected or new Commissioners will be elected. He requested clarification of whether this meant all Board members' terms would expire at that time and begin a new four-year term if reappointed. Attorney Wallen advised that this would not be the case: Board members shall serve four years from the date of their appointment.

Motion made by Mr. McTigue, seconded by Ms. Mammano, to approve. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 8-1 (Mr. Barranco dissenting).

V. COMMUNICATION TO THE CITY COMMISSION

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VI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Any written public comments made 48 hours prior to the meeting regarding items discussed during the proceedings have been attached hereto.

Chair

Prototype

[Minutes prepared by K. McGuire, Prototype, Inc.]