

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING MINUTES CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS 100 N. ANDREWS AVE., FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301 WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

	June 2021 – May 2022		
Board Members	Attendance	Present	Absent
Jacquelyn Scott, Chair	Α	11	1
Brad Cohen, Vice Chair	Р	9	3
John Barranco	Α	10	2
Mary Fertig (arr. 6:03)	Р	12	0
Steve Ganon	Р	12	0
Shari McCartney	Α	10	2
William Rotella	Р	10	2
Jay Shechtman	Р	10	2
Michael Weymouth	Р	9	3

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 Shari Wallen, Assistant City Attorney Michael Ferrera, Uban Design and Planning Tyler Laforme, Urban Design and Planning Adam Schnell, Urban Design and Planning Igor Vassiliev, Public Works Department Leslie Harmon, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communications to City Commission

None.

I. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Cohen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll was called and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Vice Chair introduced the Board members present, and Urban Design and Planning Manager Ella Parker introduced the Staff members present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES / DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Motion made to accept the minutes. [The minutes were approved by consent.]

Ms. Fertig arrived at 6:03 p.m.

III. PUBLIC SIGN-IN / SWEARING-IN

Any members of the public wishing to speak at tonight's meeting were sworn in at this time. Vice Chair Cohen advised that individuals speaking on their own behalf at tonight's meeting will have three minutes in which to speak. Representatives of organizations will have five minutes, and Applicants will have 15 minutes, with a five-minute rebuttal if necessary.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

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Case Number	Applicant
1. UDP-SR21002**	1800 State Road, LLC
2. UDP-V21004**	City of Fort Lauderdale
3. UDP-V21005**	City of Fort Lauderdale
4. UDP-S21033**	Bud Robinson Memorial Church of the Nazarene
5. UDP-P21004**	Bud Robinson Memorial Church of the Nazarene
6. UDP-V21007**	Nectaria M. Chakas, Esq., Lochrie & Chakas, P.A.
7. UDP-V22003**	City of Fort Lauderdale
8. UDP-V22004**	City of Fort Lauderdale
9. UDP-P22003**	City of Fort Lauderdale

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.

1. CASE: UDP-SR21002

REQUEST: ** Site Plan Level IV Review: Rezone from Residential Multifamily Mid Rise Medium High Density (RMM-25) District to Community Business (CB) District with Allocation of 0.11 Commercial Flex Acreage for a 114,264 Square-Foot Self-Storage Facility

APPLICANT: 1800 State Road, LLC

AGENT: U-Haul Co. of Florida 905, LLC / Lora Lakov, AMERCO Real Estate Co.

PROJECT NAME: Self Storage at I-95 & State Rd 84

GENERAL LOCATION: 1800 W State Road 84

vice president of the homeowners' association to assure them that a layout is in place to reduce the footprint of the additional development. They also reviewed traffic flow to assure the neighbors that the storage facility will not have a large impact on traffic through the area, nor will it bring traffic through the residential neighborhood.

There being no further questions from the Board at this time, Vice Chair Cohen opened the public hearing.

Nancy Long, president of the River Oaks Civic Association, stated that the members of this organization were pleased with the change in design on the property, which resembles an office building.

Mr. Shechtman asked which road in the subject neighborhood was of greatest concern to the neighbors. Ms. Long replied that this is State Road (SR) 84, which requires a Uturn to access the subject property.

Mr. Shechtman recalled that when he spoke with neighbors of the subject property, they identified a heavily traveled road through the residential neighborhood which could benefit from speed humps or other traffic calming measures. Ms. Long stated that once work has been completed on I-95, this traffic pattern will change back to its former configuration. She did not feel this traffic significantly affected the neighborhood.

Wendy Wills, president of the Edgewood Civic Association, confirmed that she had expressed concerns with traffic on 30th Street. While she felt there may be some traffic going through the neighborhood to access the subject site, she noted that because the property includes storage units, traffic is not expected to be significant or ongoing.

Mr. Shechtman commented that City Staff may wish to initiate a traffic study on 30th Street to determine if speed humps would be appropriate. Ms. Long confirmed that the Edgewood Civic Association hopes to implement speed humps on SW 15th Avenue and SW 30th Street.

As there were no other individuals wishing to speak on the Item, the Vice Chair closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Shechtman, seconded by Mr. Weymouth, to approve.

Assistant City Attorney Shari Wallen requested confirmation that the **motion** includes Staff conditions. Mr. Shechtman confirmed this.

In a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously (6-0).

2. CASE: UDP-V21004

REQUEST: ** Vacation of Right-of-Way: 50-foot-wide by 300-foot-long

APPLICANT: City of Fort Lauderdale

AGENT: City of Fort Lauderdale

PROJECT NAME: Federal Courthouse

GENERAL LOCATION: A portion of SE 4th Avenue, south of the New River and north of SE 11th Street, lying east of SE 3rd Ave and west of South Federal Highway

ABBREVIATED LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lauderdale 2-9 D S 28 of lots 9 & 16, BLK 2 tog/w that portion of vac alley lying b/w S 28 ft of said lot 9 & S 28 ft of said lot 16, said alley vacated per Ord No C-102 on 01/26/1942

ZONING DISTRICT: Limited Residential Office District (ROA) and Planned Residential Office District (ROC)

LAND USE: South Regional Activity Center COMMISSION DISTRICT: 4 – Ben Sorensen

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION: Downtown Fort Lauderdale Civic Association CASE PLANNER: Tyler Laforme

Disclosures were made at this time.

Tyler Laforme, representing Urban Design and Planning, stated that the Application requests a right-of-way vacation on behalf of the City. It would vacate a 50 ft. right-of-way in a 300 ft. portion of SE 4th Avenue.

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

Motion made by Mr. Weymouth, seconded by Mr. Rotella, to approve UDP-V21004, subject to the Staff conditions in the Staff Report. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

3. CASE: UDP V21005

REQUEST: ** Vacation of Right of Way: 28-foot wide by 304-foot long

APPLICANT: City of Fort Lauderdale
AGENT: City of Fort Lauderdale

PROJECT NAME: Federal Courthouse

GENERAL LOCATION: A portion of SE 10th Court, lying west of SE 4th Ave, east of SE 3rd Ave, and north of SE 11th Street.

ABBREVIATED LEGAL DESCRIPTION: South 28 feet of lots 9 and 16 of said block 2 and a portion of the vacated alley lying between said lots 9 and 16. Said alley vacated by ordinance number C-102 adopted by the City Commission on January 26, 1942. Less the west 15 feet of said lot 16. All said lands situate lying and being within the City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, containing 8,442 square feet more or less.

ZONING DISTRICT: Limited Residential Office District (ROA), Planned Residential Office District (ROC), and Residential Mid Rise Multifamily/Medium High Density District (RMM-25)

LAND USE: South Regional Activity Center COMMISSION DISTRICT: 4—Ben Sorensen

Ms. Fertig felt if the Board is asked to clarify what Code Sections are not being met, they should also have to clarify the Code requirements that are being met. She suggested that this language also be used by the City Commission in the future.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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

Chair

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