

MEETING MINUTES - BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

August 2nd, 2021 – 5:15 p.m.

City Hall Commission Room

1. Call to order

Tveidt called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

2. Roll Call

Board members: Kevin Tveidt, Dave Kelley, Slade Weller, Kyle Kurth

City Staff present: Andrew Mentele and John Childs

Applicants present: Craig Smith (dba Smith Family Properties)

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of 07/12/2021 were approved 4-0.

As only 4 board members were present, Tveidt noted that all 4 board members must approve a request for it to pass.

4. Request for Variance – Craig Smith (dba Smith Family Properties), 1508 E. Franklin St.

Owner/Applicant seeking approval for the following Variances:

- a. Front yard Setback
- b. Side yard Setback

Tveidt asked the applicant to present his case.

Mr. Smith said that he purchased the property as he used to live next to it and has done a lot of nice things to the property. He likes to improve the appearance and invites anyone to come look at the property to see its condition. Mr. Smith currently rents the property to a nurse who would like to have a carport to help protect her car from the sun. He stated it's financially impossible to add onto the existing structure as it's an unusual house.

Tveidt asked if anyone had questions on this request.

Weller asked if it has to go in this particular spot, Mr. Smith said it doesn't affect visibility and it's about as good as it get for access. Smith said he has talked with all of the neighbors and no one had mentioned any objections.

Kurth asked city staff if this variance is specific to an open sided carport, Childs stated carports can turn into a garage quickly as people realize what it takes to close them in. Kurth asked Mr. Smith if the structure is a single entrance, smith said yes.

Tveidt asked if any board members wanted to take an action, no action was taken. Tveidt then stated that the request has died for lack of action.

Mr. Smith was frustrated and wanted explanation of what his next move was, Tveidt stated his next step is not the City Commission. Kurth explained he struggled with the proposal as it's a major encroachment and told Mr. Smith to reconsider other options and return with another proposal. Childs set up a meeting for the following afternoon to further discuss a plan to move forward with Smith.

5. Additional Items

No new items presented.

6. Adjournment

Kelley moved to adjourn, seconded by Weller. 4-0 to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.