

**MINUTES OF THE LAWRENCE  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
August 16, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rebecca Lightle, JD Masur, Faith Alvarez, Trace Yates, Chelle Carey

**STAFF PRESENT:** Chief of Staff David Hofmann, Board Secretary Renea Rafala

**STAFF VIRTUAL:** Economic Development Director Dan Zuerner (via zoom) and City Engineer Sri Venugopalan (via zoom)

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Maria Rusomaroff (via zoom)

Mrs. Lightle called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and announced a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 21, 2022:** Ms. Alvarez motioned for approval of the June 21, 2022 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Masur and passed 4-0.

**SPECIAL REQUESTS, WAIVERS OR WITHDRAWALS:**

Request for Waiver of Rules of Filing Deadline:

**22-LSV-12 ~ 11705 Pendleton Pike**

Variance of Development Standards of the City of Indianapolis consolidated Zoning/Subdivision Ordinance Table 743-1 to allow outdoor seating. Petition filing deadline: July 13, 2022; Petition filed: July 25, 2022; Public Notice deadline: August 6, 2022; Public Notice sent: August 2, 2022. Motion to waive the rules of filing deadline was made by Ms. Alvarez, seconded by Mr. Masur and passed with a 4-0 vote.

**Old Business:**

**22-LSV-10 ~ 7485 E 46th St**

Petitioners' representative, Alan Townsend, presented the case for a Variance of Development Standards of the City of Indianapolis consolidated Zoning/Subdivision Ordinance 744-911-7: No advertising sign shall be permitted which displays video or emitting graphics; and 744-911(b)(2)(d): No sign shall be permitted which displays video or emitting graphics.

Councilor Rusomaroff, District 4, questioned the necessity of increasing the intensity of the sign.

Director Zuerner informed the Board that the sign would not be visible to anyone in the City limits unless they are traveling on I-465. INDOT has approved the upgrade to digital.

Ms. Alvarez had several questions regarding the environmental impact of a digital vs static sign. The petitioner's representative did not have answers and was asked to bring this information to our next meeting.

Ms. Alvarez motioned to continue the petition with notice to the September 20, 2022 meeting. Motion was seconded by Mr. Yates and passed 4-0.

**New Business:**

**22-LSV-11 ~ 9702 Pendleton Pike**

Petitioners' representative, Richard Sprague, presented the case for a Variance of Development Standards of the City of Indianapolis consolidated Zoning/Subdivision Ordinance 744-911.A.9 to allow an advertising sign closer than 1,000 feet from another advertising sign.

Councilor Rusomaroff, District 4, recommended denial of the petition.

Director Zuerner said the City is working to enhance the look of Pendleton Pike from I-465 to Sunnyside in 2023 and is not certain the addition of another billboard would do that.

After discussion the Board voted and denied the petition 1-3

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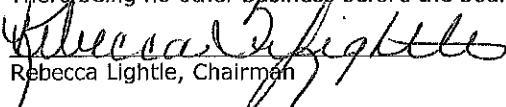
Petitioner, Graham Levy, presented the case for a Variance of Development Standards of the City of Indianapolis consolidated Zoning/Subdivision Ordinance Table 743-1 to allow outdoor seating.

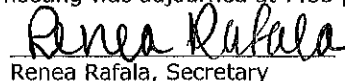
Councilor Rusomaroff, District 4, recommends approval.

Ms. Rafala recommends approval on behalf of the City

After discussion the Board voted and approved the petition 4-0 with no commitments.

There being no other business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

  
Rebecca Lightle, Chairman

  
Renea Rafala, Secretary

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, with the exception of the motions. An audiotape is made which provides a detailed record.