MINUTES OF THE NEWARK BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REGULAR HEARING JANUARY 14, 2016 COUNCIL CHAMBER 7PM

Open Public Meetings Act

Roll Call

Present

Terence Baine
Denise Cook
Charles Hall
Barry Dobson
Julius Montford
Terry Pringle-Khalif
Rose Marie Ruivo (late)

Also Present

N'dela Costley, Board Secretary Ade Afolabi, Zoning Officer Walford Enniss, Recording Secretary Angelo Cifelli, Board Attorney Mark Barksdale, Director of Planning Gerard Haizel, Planning Consultant

Absent

Katiria Cobian Charles Auffant, Chairman

Communications None

Agenda Items

Pending Applications:

Appeal: ZBA-15-45

Premises: 111-113, 115-123 Chestnut Street

Ward: East

Applicant: Ironbound Sports Complex Inc.

To Permit: In the MX-1 Mixed Use District, an Appeal against the Newark Landmark and

Historic Preservation Commission's decision to deny an application to construct an indoor sports recreation facility. The Commission determined that the proposed design of the indoor sports recreation facility would not be in keeping with the standards for new construction set forth in Title 41:10-17 of the Zoning and Land Use Regulations. Postponed October 8, 2015 and December 10, 2015. There were 32 objectors present. Applicant requested application be withdrawn

January 14, 2016.

Application: ZBA-15-36

Premises: 111-113, 115-123 Chestnut Street

Ward: East

Applicant: Ironbound Sports Complex Inc.

To Permit: In the MX-1 Mixed Use District, proposed indoor sports recreation facility.

Commercial recreation facilities are not permitted in the MX-1 zone. Seeking a D¹ Use Variance; C-Variances for insufficient rear yard setback and insufficient parking, Exceeds maximum lot coverage; Exceeds maximum number of signs permitted. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval required. Postponed October 8, 2015 and December 10, 2015. There were 32 objectors present. Applicant requested application be withdrawn January 14, 2016.

New Applications:

Application: ZBA-15-35

Premises: 839-845 N. Sixth Street

Ward: North

Applicant: Classic Express Car Service LLC

To Permit: In the C2 Community Commercial District, proposed interior renovation of existing

commercial building to be used as taxi dispatch with offices. Existing auto repair shop shall remain. Taxicab Operation facilities are not permitted in C2zone. Seeking a D¹ Use Variance; C Variances for insufficient rear yard setback, excessive maximum lot coverage, and insufficient parking. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval required. Applicant requested an adjournment to address the issues outlined in the Planner's Staff Report. There were no objectors present.

Postponed to February 11, 2016. Time period waived.

Application: ZBA-15-58

Premises: 59 ½ Pennsylvania Avenue

Ward: East

Applicant: Jose Rosa

To Permit: In the R3 Third Residential District, proposed legalization of existing retail use on

first floor of a 3-story building, 2nd and 3rd floor shall remain residential. Retail sales of goods are prohibited in R3 zone. Seeking a D¹ Use Variance; C Variances for insufficient lot size, insufficient side yard setback, excessive building coverage, excessive impervious rear yard area coverage, less than required building transparency, and no on-site parking. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval required. Fausto Simoes, Esq., Jose Gennaro, Architect and Professional Planner and Jose Rosa, Applicant appeared before the Board. There were no objectors present. A motion was made by Commissioner Hall and seconded by Commissioner Montford to approve this application with conditions. Motion carried 6-0. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approved 6-0.

Application: ZBA-15-67

Premises: 85-119 E Peddie Street

Ward: South

Applicant: World Group Properties of New Jersey, LLC

To Permit: In the EWR Airport/Airport Support District, proposed vehicle storage and partial

removal of existing building. Large truck tractors and trailers parking and storage shall remain. Expansion of a legal non-conforming use is prohibited in the EWR/Airport support zone. Seeking a D² Variance for expansion of a non-conforming use; C Variances for minimum front yard setback, exceeding maximum lot coverage, excessive impervious yard area, exceeding maximum height allowed for fencing and fencing along public right-of-way. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval required. Michael J. Oliveira, Esq., Anthony Garrett, Architect and Professional Planner, Gerard Haziel, Planner Consultant, D. Egarian, Engineer and Robert Leef, Applicant appeared before the Board. There were no objectors present. A motion was made by Commissioner Montford and seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve this application with conditions. Motion carried 6-0. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approved 6-0.

- Applicant agreed to comply with the directives from the Dept. of Engineering and the Div. of Water/Sewer Utilities.
- Applicant agreed to comply with the recommendations outlined in the Planner's Staff Report dated January 4, 2016.

Board Attorney Resolution/Contract

Memorialization

418-430 Central Avenue 104-180 Foundry Street 45 South Street 28-34 Haynes Avenue 19-33 Fenwick Street

Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting: January 28, 201