

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
November 12, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m. by Boardmember Abent.

ROLL CALL: Boardmembers Abent, Reed, Kruger and Alternate Potter.

Absent: Chairman Patrick and ViceChairman Konietzko (excused).

City staff present: Building Inspector Hummel and Deputy City Clerk Terpstra.

Boardmember Abent acted as chair in the absence of both the Chairman and ViceChairman. Alternate Potter will be voting, vote will need to be unanimous to pass.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Board member Kruger moved, supported by Reed to approve the minutes of October 14, 2008 as presented. Carried. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

APPEAL TO BE CONSIDERED

Public Hearing: 804 S. Cochran at 6:02 p.m.

Deputy Clerk Terpstra read the appeal of 804 S. Cochran ó Eaton Area Senior Center asking for a 9øö exterior side yard setback for a total side yard setback of 15 ft. 7 in. There were no calls or letters on this appeal.

Larry Royston, member of the Eaton Area Senior Center and Cindy Miller, Director of the center was present. Mr. Royston stated that they need more office and storage space. The chairs are stored in an area now that requires seniors to carry them a distance which is difficult for the members. Office space is needed for privacy. They would like to demolish the building to the west and build a new building if they can raise the funds to do so. If they do that they would also gain six parking spaces. This would be proposed in the future if the funds can be raised.

Discussion was held on the current variance being requested.

Public Hearing Closed: 6:10 p.m.

Boardmember Kruger moved, supported by Potter to approve the variance for 804 S. Cochran, Eaton Area Senior Center to allow the 9 ft. 5 in. side yard setback variance to build the addition for office space and storage. The reason being that there is a definite need for this space and it will not cause any visual obstructions. Carried. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Board member Kruger moved to adjourn at 6:15 P.M.