

SPALDING COUNTY APPEALS BOARD
Regular Meeting
October 8, 2015

The Spalding County Appeals Board held its regular monthly meeting on October 8, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 108 of the Spalding County Courthouse Annex. Members present were: Ed Brown, Vice-Chair, presiding; Curtis Keys and Robert Lattimore. Michelle Cannon and Bill Slaughter were not present.

Also present were: Chad Jacobs, Community Development Director; Newton Galloway, Zoning Attorney and Virginia Langford to record the minutes.

Mr. Brown called the meeting to order and invited anyone present that was not the applicant and wanted to address the Board on any of the applications to come forward and sign the request form.

Application #15-12V: Williams & Harrell Group, Owner – Amjad Abuzaidieh, Agent – 1311 North Hill Street (3.024 acres located in Land Lots 158 and 159 of the 3rd Land District) – requesting a Variance from minimum rear yard setback in the C-2 district.

Amjad Abuzaidieh – 1681 Summerwood Circle

Mr. Abuzaidieh advised he owns an existing store that will be demolished to make road improvements in this area. Ten years ago he applied for a variance for his store to add 900 SF of space. It was approved and allowed him to improve the business and give the people in the area a better store. He wants to build a new facility across the road from his current location. The new building will be 4200 SF with 3900 SF being retail space. He needs a variance for the rear property set-back.

Mr. Jacobs said Mr. Abuzaidieh has been meeting with him for the past few months. His current building will probably be demolished to facilitate the road improvements planned at this location. He wants to remain in this area. There is a need for commercial services because many people in this area do not have access to transportation. The property is zoned C-2 which is a manufacturing zoning district. Mr. Jacobs identified the various zonings in this area. There are issues with re-zoning in this area and the County will probably have to consider rezoning some of the property. The recommendation is that this application be approved but tied to a food store only.

MOTION

Mr. Keys made a motion to approve Application #15-12V with the staff conditions. The motion passed on a second by Mr. Lattimore with Mr. Brown, Mr. Keys and Mr. Lattimore voting for the motion.

MINUTES

Mr. Lattimore made a motion, seconded by Mr. Keys, to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2015 meeting. The motion passed with Mr. Brown, Mr. Keys and Mr. Lattimore voting for the motion.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Keys and a second by Mr. Lattimore with Mr. Brown, Mr. Keys and Mr. Lattimore voting for the motion.

Michelle Cannon – Chair

Yvonne Langford - Recorder