

Canton Township Zoning Department

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020

Board Members present: Chairman: Jim Haynes
Members: Melvin Miller, Bill Bird, Tamra Neisel and William Paulk

Also present: Zoning Director Michael Hanshaw and Assistant Zoning Director Laura Datkuliak

Meeting called to order by Chairman Jim Haynes at 7:01 p.m., and dispensed with reading formalities.

Applicant(s) and residents(s) were asked to stand and be sworn in if they are going to address the Board.

Appeal #1183-20 Canton Local Schools

Parcel No.10012051- B2 Neighborhood Business District

Applicant is requesting a variance to the required number of parking spaces for the construction of a new middle school building. This property is located in SW Quarter of Section 27 & SE Quarter of Section 28 in Canton Township, Stark County, Ohio.

Mr. Bader (Project Manager- GPD Group) was asked to step to the podium to present his case. He stated that zoning required 105 total parking spaces and the site plan called for 82 total. He explained that the area was a tight fit with not a lot of options for additional spaces. The school campus has additional parking spaces that the middle school could use at the Annex and Bus Garage. Those spaces can be used for after-hours assemblies and sporting events.

Q: Would the doctor's office in between the high school and middle school be impacted?

A: No, they have their own parking.

No further testimony was give.

Mr. Miller made a motion to grant the variance. Motion was seconded by Mr. Paulk. Written votes read as follows:

Mr. Haynes	YES
Mr. Miller	YES
Mr. Bird	YES
Mr. Paulk	YES
Mr. Neisel	YES

5-0 Vote - Request Granted

Appeal #1184-20 Veronica Morgan- Big Mama's House Family Support Center

1666 Whipple Ave NW Parcel No.1401230- B3 Commercial Business

Applicant is requesting a conditional use permit to operate a child day care center. This property is located in NW Quarter of Section 6 in Canton Township, Stark County, Ohio.

Ms. Morgan was asked to step to the podium to present her case. She gave some personal background and training information. She explained that this would be a place for children and parents, with classes for foster parents.

Q: Would the back area be fenced?

A: Yes.

Q: Would there be a drop off area?

A: Yes, they would come in and turn by the front door.

Q: How many children would you have?

A: 25 children total- 9 per class due to COVID restrictions

Q: What ages?

A: 6 weeks- 13 years old

Q: What would be the operating hours?

A: 5:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Q: Would there be a kitchen/ bathrooms?

A: Yes, kitchen. Yes, one bathroom.

Q: How will you determine how many children you will accept?

A: ECR will come in and advise how many children can be in there at a time. It will be first come first serve and if we can accommodate their needs. We will work with human services.

No further testimony was given.

Mr. Haynes explained that what Ms. Morgan was explaining was a little different than a traditional day care facility but that this conditional use request was the closest thing we have in our zoning resolution and that it would be the board's interpretation.

Mr. Paulk made a motion to grant the conditional use permit. Motion was seconded by Mr. Haynes. Written votes read as follows:

Mr. Haynes	YES
Mr. Miller	YES
Mr. Bird	YES
Mr. Paulk	YES
Mr. Neisel	YES

5-0 Vote - Request Granted

Mr. Haynes made a motion to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Bird.

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