

City of Southgate
Board of Zoning Appeals
January 10, 2022

A meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Southgate was held in the Municipal Council Chambers, 14400 Dix-Toledo Highway, Southgate, Michigan on Monday, January 10, 2022 and called to order by Tom Coombs, Chairman at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Linda Clark, Patricia Anderson, Dennis Richardson, Tom Coombs

Absent: Jerry Orman, Tim Foucher

Also Present: Plan Consultant John Enos, City Administrator, Dustin Lent, City Attorney, Ed Zelenak, Building Director Tim Leach.

Minutes:

Moved by Anderson, supported by Clark, to approve the minutes of the Board of Zoning Appeals Special Meeting dated April 5, 2021. Motion Carried Unanimously.

New Business:

- A. Keith & Kathleen Short at 15595 Applewood Ln are requesting a dimensional variance to install a side lot steel fence. (BZA 01-2022)

Notices were sent out. There were no letters of objection received by the Clerk's Office. There were (3) letters from neighbors in support of this request.

The Public Hearing was opened at 5:32 p.m.

Plan Consultant Enos stated they are requesting expanding a fence that will encroach into the Applewood front yard. The lot fronts two streets creating two front yards. The applicant is requesting this fence variance in order to increase privacy, enclose the rear yard for pets and grandchildren and provide for fencing that most homes in the City not on a corner lot are permitted to install. The fence will be decorative aluminum, five feet in height and will circumvent most of the yard. We recommend approval of requested dimensional variance.

The applicants shared pictures of what they are planning on doing.

Moved by Anderson, supported by Richardson, to close this Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held by the Board.

Moved by Anderson, supported by Richardson, that the Board of Zoning Appeals, SUPPORTS and APPROVES, the application at the request of Keith & Kathleen Short at 15595 Applewood Ln for a dimensional variance to install a side lot steel fence. (BZA 01-2022) Variance from Section 1298.01(c). Motion Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Clark, supported by Anderson, that this meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals be adjourned at 5:41 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Angie Shurkus
Recording Secretary
January 10, 2022