

CITY OF MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA
MINUTES



FEBRUARY 3, 2022
BUILDING HEIGHT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Call to Order

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Vice-Chairperson Joseph Lewis called the Building Height Advisory Committee to order at 1:32 P.M. at the Community Building.

Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joseph Lewis, Vice-Chairperson
John Tucker
Thomas Pauls
Andrea Lothar
Greg Beliveau (Arrived at 1:46)
Tom Dring
Frank Kirwin
Kate Ondrasik
Harris Turner
Nick Girone
James Homich

ALSO PRESENT

Vince Sandersfeld, Planning Director
Sherry G. Sutphen, City Attorney
Jessica Burnham, City Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lynn Tipton, Chairperson

Public Comments

Vice-Chairperson Lewis opened public comment.

Jamie Allen, 1303 East 5th Avenue, spoke about the building height petition and how it was developed.

Vice-Chairperson Lewis closed public comment.

Approval of Minutes

- A. Request Approval of Meeting Minutes
- January 20, 2022, Building Height Advisory Committee Minutes

COMMITTEE MEMBER TUCKER MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

Committee Member Ondrasik asked the minutes to be amended to reflect under Tab 4 - Kate Ondrasik, Building Heights in Downtown Historic Districts to state "increasing building heights to allow three-story buildings up to the height of forty or forty-two feet."

COMMITTEE MEMBER TUCKER AMENDED HIS MOTION TO INCLUDE THE CORRECTION STATED; COMMITTEE MEMBER ONDRASIK SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

Discussion Items - Old Business

A. Informational - Study Area Map

Vice-Chairperson Lewis introduced the discussion items under old business.

B. City Attorney Optional Ordinance Legal Review

Sherry Sutphen, City Attorney, spoke on item B and provided the committee with an overview of her findings and mentioned that an initiative or referendum process can not occur in a development order. However, amending by ordinance the current regulation to state that any change to this regulation would need to be adopted through the ordinance process, which is two public hearings.

Discussion ensued on the city attorney's findings, differences between variances, language that could be placed in the ordinance, increasing the height versus and decreasing the height, the petition being placed on the ballot, and the architectural design of the buildings.

C. Thomas Pauls summary on variances

Committee Member Thomas Pauls spoke on item C

Discussion ensued on variances, the historic presentation board.

Discussion Items - New Business

A. Building Heights on Alternatives Codes and Options

Discussion took place about the current height limitation of thirty-five feet.

B. Harris Turner Proposed Building Height LDC Draft Revisions

Committee Member Turner suggested having three items on the next upcoming agenda. Discussion on the possibility of recommending a change to the current building height, Charter Amendment, and Alternative to a Charter Amendment.

Committee Member Turner provided the committee with his suggestions on changes to the Land Development Code.

C. Frank Kriwin Proposed (working document) Charter Amendment

Discussion ensued on variances.

Committee Member Kriwin provided the committee with an overview of his findings and his suggestions.

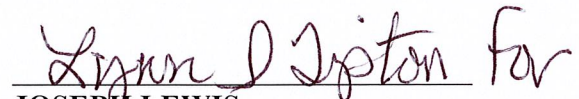
VIII. Announcement of next scheduled meeting

A. Scheduled Meeting Date/time: Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 1:30 pm

Adjournment

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:46 p.m.


JESSICA BURNHAM
City Clerk


JOSEPH LEWIS
Vice-Chairperson