

CITY OF EAST POINT
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

August 16, 2007 - 7:30 p.m.

Official Minutes

Regular Meeting

East Point, Georgia - East Point City Auditorium

Board Members Present: Mr. Steve BENNETT, Chair
 Dr. Herbert J. BRIDGEWATER, JR.
 Mr. Myron COOK
 Mr. Thomas HARPER
 Ms. Francine JONES
 Ms. Pam PATTERSON
 Ms. Linda SHELDON
 Mr. Elijah J. GRANBERRY, III

Also Present: Ms. Beth MCMILLAN, Director
 Planning and Zoning
 Ms. Geneasa L. ELIAS, AICP
 Planning and Zoning
 Ms. Regina CARTER
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 Mr. Mel ATTEBERRY
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IZZY GOULD

MDX PROPERTIES

BARRY MCWHIRTER

MEL & ELAINE LAFOREST-CARGLE

HOTEL EVOLUTION LLC

JAMES MARSHALL/SONYA WINBOURNE

LANDMARK DESIGN

SPEAKERS:

BARRY MCWHIRTER

MEL CARGLE

ED HAYES (phonetic)

GEORGE BAGGLIANO (phonetic)

Transcript Legend

(sic) - Exactly as said.

(phonetic) - Exact spelling unknown.

-- Break in Speech Continuity.

. . . Indicates halting speech, unfinished sentence or omission of word[s] when reading.

Quoted material is typed as spoken.

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None.

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(Whereupon, the August 18, 2007 East Point
Planning & Zoning Commission was called to order by
Mr. Steve Bennett, Chair, presiding, at 7:37 p.m.)

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I. CALL TO ORDER

MR. BENNETT: Ladies and gentlemen, we will come to order for the August meeting of the East Point Planning and Zoning Commission.

II. MOMENT OF SILENCE

MR. BENNETT: In lieu of an invocation this body normally recognizes a moment of silence so anyone wishing to do so may do so at this time.

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(Whereupon, there was a moment of silence)

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III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MR. BENNETT: And we thank you. If everyone would, please rise to with us for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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(Whereupon, there was a break for the Pledge of Allegiance)

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IV. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MR. BENNETT: Thank you. Commissioners, our first item will be the adoption of the agenda. Can I have a motion to adopt the agenda as presented?

MR. HARPER: I make a motion to adopt the agenda.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Second the motion.

MR. BENNETT: I have a motion from Mr. Harper and a second from Dr. Bridgewater. All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: Motion carries and the agenda -- and the adoption of the agenda is completed.

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(Whereupon, the Agenda was adopted)

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V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MR. BENNETT: Commissioners, you should have copies of the July 19th meeting minutes in your possession.

I'll entertain a motion on those minutes.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Dr. Bridgewater.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: I make a motion that we adopt the July 19th minutes with any necessary corrections, if there be any, or the minutes be accepted as provided.

MR. BENNETT: Okay. We have a motion.

MR. HARPER: I have a second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second by Mr. Harper. Are there any corrections or deletions?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor of the motion?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: And the motion carries and the minutes are adopted.

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(Whereupon, the Minutes were adopted)

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VI. OLD BUSINESS

MR. BENNETT: And we go now to Old Business. Caroline (sic).

MS. CARTER: **Case number 2006P-018-11**, applicant is Izzy Gould, Frontier Realty Group. The property location is North Desert Drive at Redwine Road.

Staff recommends deferral until all easement issues are settled.

MR. BENNETT: All right Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion on this item. Mr. Harper.

MR. HARPER: I make a motion to defer until the next Planning and Zoning meeting.

MR. BENNETT: All right. We have a motion to defer to the September meeting.

MS. SHELDON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: Second. Any discussion?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response)

MR. BENNETT: And the Motion carries and the item is deferred.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: And Regina, you can proceed.

MS. CARTER: **Case number 2007V-010-05**, applicant is MDX Properties. Property location is 2499 Constance Street. Applicant is seeking a two-part variance to increase the square footage of the house by more than 50% and to reduce the side yard setback requirement from 8 feet to 5 feet.

This application requires a public hearing.

MR. BENNETT: Okay. Commissioners, at this point I will entertain a motion to open a public hearing on this item.

MR. GRANBERRY: I make a motion that we open up the public hearing.

MR. BENNETT: All right.

MS. SHELDON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second. All in favor of the motion?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response)

MR. BENNETT: And the Motion carries and the public hearing is open.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was opened)

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MR. BENNETT: Just a quick run down of our rules on public hearings. We will call for the applicant to come down and speak first, and any proponents -- people that would like to speak in favor of the application. And then we will call for any opponents to speak that may want to speak against the item. And the applicant will be given rebuttal time. But we typically limit our public hearing to an item to a maximum of 10 minutes.

And if the applicant or any proponents would like to come down, you may do so at this time.

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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There being done, I will ask are there any opponents?
Anyone that would like to come down and speak against this item?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Again, there being none. Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion to close this public hearing.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Dr. Bridgewater.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: I make a motion that we close the public hearing.

MR. BENNETT: Okay. We have a motion.

MR. COOK: I have a second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second to close the public hearing.
All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: The motion carries and the public hearing is closed.

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**(Whereupon, the Motion carries and the
Public Hearing was closed)**

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MR. BENNETT: And Regina, you can proceed.

MS. CARTER: Applicant is seeking a two-part variance to increase the square footage of the house by more than 50 percent and to reduce the side yard setback requirement from 8 feet to 5 feet.

Staff recommends approval of the two-part variance request due to the existing configuration of the lot and the need to improve the functional use of existing older residential structures.

MR. BENNETT: Okay. Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion on the item.

MR. HARPER: I make a motion to approve.

MR. BENNETT: Mr. Harper has motioned to approve.

MS. PATTERSON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second by Ms. Patterson.

Any comments?

MS. SHELDON: Could we have added the details to our motion just for the record?

MR. HARPER: Well, I'll make a motion to approve the two-part request as far as the setback and -- What was the name for the request that they made for the --

MS. SHELDON: Increase by 50 percent.

MR. HARPER: -- increase by 50 percent. Yes, thank you.

MR. BENNETT: Any further comments?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor of the motion?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: And the motion carries. The variance is granted.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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VII. NEW BUSINESS

MR. BENNETT: And Regina, you can proceed with the next item.

MS. CARTER: **Case number 2007V-012-07**, applicant is Barry McWhirter. Property location is 3490 North Desert Drive.

Applicant is seeking a variance to increase the height of the fence around the building from 4 feet to 6 feet tall in a C-2, moderate density commercial zoning district.

This application requires a public hearing.

MR. BENNETT: Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion to open a public hearing.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Mr. Chairman, I make a motion that we open a public hearing on this item.

MR. BENNETT: We have a motion.

MS. PATTERSON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second on the public hearing. All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response)

MR. BENNETT: And the public hearing is open.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was opened)

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MR. BENNETT: And we will ask the applicant and representatives to come forward. If you would give us your name, please.

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(Whereupon, the Speakers approached the podium)

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MR. MCWHIRTER: Yes, thank you. Ladies and gentlemen for the record I am Barry McWhirter, 4045 Orchard (phonetic) Road,

Smyrna, Georgia. I'm here representing Camp Creek Self Storage which is located at . . . at 3490 North Desert Drive.

The property is a four-story, 112,000 square foot, air-conditioned, self-storage property. We opened about 30 days ago.

We are asking for a variance to allow us to erect a 6 foot high architectural metal fence around the property. The property is not a 24-hour facility and this would enhance the security of the facility. I'm not sure if any of you have seen the property but I've got pictures if you would like to see it. But it's an architectural fence not a chain link fence.

I'd be happy to answer your questions.

MR. BENNETT: Okay, thank you. Just stay close in case there are any questions, all right?

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(Whereupon, the Speaker exited the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Are there any other proponents? Anyone like to come and speak on behalf of this item, in favor of it?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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If not, I'll ask are there any opponents? Anyone that would like to come forward and speak against this item?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: There being none.

MS. SHELDON: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Miss --

MS. SHELDON: I move we close the public hearing.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Second.

MR. BENNETT: I have a motion and a second to close the public hearing. All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: And the public hearing is closed.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was closed)

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MR. BENNETT: And Regina you can proceed with staff report.

MS. CARTER: Applicant is seeking a variance to increase the height of the fence around the building from 4 feet to 6 feet tall in the C-2, moderate density commercial zoning district.

Staff recommends denial based upon Planning and Zoning application of relevant provisions in Section -- and there is a

correction on the section; it is 10-2134, Sub-section 4 in the Ordinance -- Zoning Ordinance.

MR. BENNETT: Okay, thank you. Did everybody get that?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: And Commissioners, I will entertain a motion on the item.

MR. HARPER: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Mr. Harper.

MR. HARPER: I make a motion to deny.

MR. BENNETT: Mr. Harper has made a motion to deny.

MS. SHELDON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second by Ms. Sheldon. Any further discussion?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: And the motion carries. And the item is -- the variance request is denied.

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(Whereupon, the Applicant approached the podium)

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MR. MCWHIRTER: Mr. Chairman, could I ask a question?

MR. BENNETT: You can ask of staff after the meeting.

MR. MCWHIRTER: Did you say after the meeting?

MR. BENNETT: Yes, sir.

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(Whereupon, the Applicant exited the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Regina.

MS. CARTER: The next **case is 2007V-013-07**, applicant is Mel and Elaine Cargle. Property location is 1347 Jefferson Avenue.

Applicant is requesting a variance to reduce the east side yard setback requirement from 8 feet to 3 feet for room addition.

This application requires a public hearing.

MR. BENNETT: Ms. Sheldon.

MS. SHELDON: I make a motion we open a public hearing.

MR. GRANBERRY: Second.

MR. BENNETT: Second. It's been moved and seconded that we open a public hearing. All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was opened)

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MR. BENNETT: And the public hearing is now open. And we will ask for the applicant or a representative to come down.

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(Whereupon, the Speaker approaches the podium)

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MR. CARGLE: Hello. I'm Mel Cargle. My wife and I -- 1347 Jefferson. We would like a set back and we thank you for your consideration. I think that we have one other speaker -- one other person to speak.

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(Whereupon, the Speaker exited the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Are there any other proponents? Persons who would like to speak on behalf?

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(Whereupon, the Speaker approaches the podium)

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MR. HAYES: Good evening. My name is Ed Hayes. I live -- I face the property. I live directly to the left of the Cargles -- their home.

With the addition that they're doing, their current property sits 2.2 feet off the property line. They're asking for it to go to 3 feet. I think it's great that they're trying to improve the property in the neighborhood and the overall look. They are keeping the . . . the front façade of the building exactly as it always has been since the 1930s. And I do appreciate them doing that.

So, I do support it. Thank you.

MR. BENNETT: Thank you. Are there any other proponents -- people that would like to speak in favor of the item?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: If not, I'll ask are there any opponents? Anyone that would like to come forward and speak against this request?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: There being none, Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion to close this public hearing.

MS. SHELDON: Mr. Chair, I move that we close this public hearing.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Second.

MR. BENNETT: I have a motion and a second to close the public hearing. All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: And the motion carries and public hearing is closed.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was closed)

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MR. BENNETT: And Regina, you can proceed.

MS. CARTER: The applicant is seeking a variance to reduce the east . . . east side yard setback requirement from 8 feet to 3 feet for a room addition.

Staff recommends approval of variance due to the existing configuration of the lot and the need to improve the functional use of the existing, older residential structures.

MR. BENNETT: All right. Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion on the item.

MS. SHELDON: I move we approve.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Second, with a question, please.

MR. BENNETT: All right. We have a second for discussion. Dr. Bridgewater.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: At our work session in regards to the property at 1347 Jefferson Avenue, we had asked that staff provide us with the community forum input.

I'm just wondering if we ever got that.

MS. SHELDON: It's down there.

MR. BENNETT: Here's my copy if you want to see it.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Thank you. That's what I was missing.

MR. BENNETT: Any further questions or comments?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor of the motion?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: The motion carries and the variance is granted.

And Regina you can continue.

MS. CARTER: Case number 27 -- I mean **2007V-014-07**, applicant is Hotel Evolution, LLC. Property location is Bobby Brown Parkway and Cambridge Avenue.

Applicant is seeking a variance for the construction of a Hilton Garden Inn Hotel and future restaurants, by increasing

the building height from 73.5 feet as required by the CL zoning district, to 86 feet, Part 10, Article C, Section 10-2055, Sub-section f.3.c.

This application requires a public hearing.

MR. BENNETT: Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion to open a public hearing.

MS. SHELDON: Mr. Chair, I move we open a public hearing.

MS. PATTERSON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: A motion and a second on the public hearing. All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: And the motion carries. The public hearing is open.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was opened)

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MR. BENNETT: And do we have anyone for the applicant to come forward and speak?

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(Whereupon, the Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BAGGLIANO: Good evening. My name is George Baggliano. I'm here representing Hotel Evolution and Neel Shaw.

MR. GRANBERRY: Excuse me. Could you speak in your mike, please?

MR. BAGGLIANO: Oh, I'm sorry. My name is George Baggliano (phonetic), Columbia Engineering. And I'm here on behalf of Hotel Evolution and Neel Shaw in this variance request to increase the hotel's overall height from 73.5 previously approved to 86.

MR. BENNETT: Do you have any further comment?

MR. BAGGLIANO: No, I think that covers it.

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(Whereupon, the Speaker exited the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Thank you. Are there any other proponents; people that would like to come down and speak on behalf of this item?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Are there any opponents; anyone that would like to speak against this application?

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(Whereupon, no Speaker approached the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: There being none, I'll entertain a motion to close the public hearing.

MR. GRANBERRY: I make a motion to close the public hearing.

MR. COOK: Second.

MR. BENNETT: All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed and the Public Hearing was closed)

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MR. BENNETT: And the public hearing is closed.

And Regina, you can proceed with the staff report.

MS. CARTER: The applicant is seeking a variance for the construction of a Hilton Garden Inn Hotel and future restaurants, by increasing the building height from 73.5 feet as required by the CL zoning district, to 86 feet, Part 10, Article C, Section 10-2055, Sub-section f.3.c.

Staff recommends approval of requested variance to increase the height CL zoning requirement from 73.5 feet to 86 feet.

MR. BENNETT: Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Dr. Bridgewater.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: I recommend approval of the increase of the CL zoning requirements from 73.5 feet to 86.5 feet in accordance with the zoning section as quoted.

MR. BENNETT: Okay.

MS. SHELDON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second. Any other discussion or comments?

MS. SHELDON: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Ms. Sheldon.

MS. SHELDON: I'd just like to know that we have a letter from Hartsfield Airport regarding the height restrictions per the FAA requirements and that that is in our packets.

MS. CARTER: Yes, it's in the packets.

MR. BENNETT: Any other comments?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor of the motion?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: And the motion carries and the variance is granted. And Regina, if you would proceed.

MS. CARTER: Case number **2007P-016-07**, applicant is James Marshall and Sonya Winbourne. Property location is 2799 and 2805 Dodson Drive.

Applicant is seeking approval of the preliminary plat to subdivide 3.67 acres into five lots: 20,934 SF, 19,794 SF, 18,670 SF, 18,281 SF, and 18,000 SF respectively.

Staff recommends approval of the preliminary plat due to the creation of conforming lots with the zoning districts; none are less than 18,000 square feet.

MR. BENNETT: Okay, thank you. Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Dr. Bridgewater.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: I make a motion for approval.

MR. BENNETT: Okay, we have a motion for approval.

MS. SHELDON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: And a second. Discussion? Mr. Cook.

MR. COOK: I have a question of staff. I just want verification of the address. I'm looking at 2805 and 2803 Dodson Drive.

MS. CARTER: The correct address is 2805.

MR. COOK: I stand corrected.

MR. BENNETT: Thank you. Any other questions, comments?

MS. SHELDON: I just wanted to ask staff or confirm with staff that any movement further down the design trail for these properties would include some means of storm water and water retention control.

MS. CARTER: That is a Public Works question. And I would have to ask them.

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(Whereupon, the Speaker approached the podium)

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MS. SHELDON: I just want to confirm that that would be part of the process of further development.

MR. ATTEBERRY: I'm Bill Atteberry from Public Works. The plan that we saw indicated that there was a detention pond on site. It's located in the easement area with Georgia Power. Public Works has . . . has concern over that. It does require a fence being installed on that edge which would have to be up 6 feet. We ask that the applicant present some kind of . . . of formal notification to Georgia Power and receipt thereof.

MS. SHELDON: Thank you. There are other means for controlling water other than a detention pond, are there not?

MR. ATTEBERRY: Absolutely.

MS. SHELDON: All right. And then my last question then is this, is also to confirm with staff that that does not prevent us from this sub-division and accepting the preliminary plat?

MR. ATTEBERRY: It doesn't.

MS. SHELDON: Thank you.

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(Whereupon, the Speaker exited the podium)

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MR. BENNETT: Any further comments or questions?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor of the motion?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: The motion carries and the preliminary plat is approved.

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: Regina, please proceed.

MS. CARTER: Case number **2007P-014-06** (sic), applicant is Landmark Design. Property location 3600 Old Fairburn Road, Lakeside Preserve, Phase 4.

Applicant is seeking approval of preliminary plat amendment to reduce 212 single-family attached town home lots to 187 single-family detached residential units on 30.03 acres.

Staff recommends approval of preliminary plat.

MR. BENNETT: Commissioners, I'll entertain a motion on this.

MR. GRANBERRY: I make a motion to approve the preliminary plat for Lakeside Preserve, Phase 4, 3600 Old Fairburn Road.

MS. SHELDON: Second.

MR. BENNETT: I have a motion and a second for approval. Any questions or discussion?

MS. SHELDON: That is a decrease in number.

MR. BENNETT: We don't see that often. Any further comments?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: The motion carries and the item is approved.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

MR. BENNETT: Commissioners, I'll ask are there any announcements or comments?

MS. SHELDON: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Ms. Sheldon.

MS. SHELDON: I am an appointee on the Advisory Board for Atlanta Regional Commission Review for State Route 6. It's a leg of the road that runs all the way from Hiram, Georgia to the airport. And obviously that does affect the City of East Point.

State Route 6 in our area is otherwise known as Camp Creek Parkway. And I just wanted to make an announcement that there will be some public meetings that will describe the ramifications of the study -- actually it's more the pertinent issues that have been raised by the study.

There will be a meeting Monday night and a meeting -- I believe its Wednesday night. And if you would like to attend those meetings the details will be available at the Planning and Zoning office. I wish I had them at my fingertips, but we will make sure you get the information. And I urge anyone who is interested in the project development and the ARC's recommendations for that road to attend.

MR. BENNETT: Thank you.

MS. SHELDON: Thanks.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Mr. Chair.

MR. BENNETT: Dr. Bridgewater.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: I'd like to, as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, with approval of our Chair, say on behalf of all of us we extend a heartfelt sympathy to the family of Dr. Asa Hilliard and his wife who is our former mayor of the City of East Point, the Honorable Patsy Jo Hilliard, on the loss of her husband Dr. Asa Hilliard who is a prestigious professor at Georgia State University and he is an author, historian and an expert par excellence in Afro-American studies.

The legacy and community service will be held at the Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel on the campus of Morehouse College on Wednesday, August 22nd from 6 until 8 which happens to be the birthday of Dr. Asa Hilliard; that is his 73rd birthday. He was born in Galveston, Texas on August the 22nd, 1933.

The Homegoing celebration celebrating the life and legacy and works of Dr. Asa Hilliard, the husband of our former mayor Patsy Hilliard, will be on Thursday, at 11:00, at the same location -- the Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel on the campus of Morehouse College.

We certainly ask all citizens of East Point, friends, loved ones to be in prayer in support of our former mayor and the City as we mourn the loss of this great East Point resident, this great citizen, and great contributor in our community, Dr. Asa Hilliard. Thank you.

MR. BENNETT: Thank you. Any further announcements,
comments?

THE BODY: (No response).

MR. BENNETT: If not, I'll entertain a motion to adjourn.

IX. ADJOURN

MR. GRANBERRY: I'd like to make a motion that we adjourn.

DR. BRIDGEWATER: Second.

MR. BENNETT: All in favor?

THE BODY: Aye.

MR. BENNETT: Opposed?

THE BODY: (No response).

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(Whereupon, the Motion passed)

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MR. BENNETT: The meeting is adjourned.

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(Whereupon, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.)

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CERTIFICATE

STATE OF GEORGIA)

COUNTY OF FULTON)

I, DEB MCGHEE SPEIGHTS, Certified Court Reporter
in and for the State of Georgia,
do hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings for the:
East Point Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting
on August 16, 2007, 7:30 P.M.
were reported by me and transcribed by me,
and the same is true and correct in the above-stated case.

This, the 4th day of September 2007.



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