



Zoning Ordinance Committee (ZOC) Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2015

Dallas City Hall - Room 5/E/S

9:00 a.m.

ATTENDEES:

ZOC Members Present: Margot Murphy (Vice-Chair), Matt Enzler, Garry Brown, Maria Gomez, Greg Wilkes, Mattye Jones and Tony Shidid.

City Staff: Donna Moorman, Neva Dean, Valerie Miller, Diana Lawrence (Sustainable Development & Construction Department), Kevin Lefebvre, Helen Cantril Dulac (Office of Environmental Quality), Laura Morrison (City Attorney Office), Phil Erwin (Sustainable Development & Construction Department).

Speaker(s)/Guest(s): Isaac Cohen, Anita Mills, Brandon Pollard, Chad Julka, Susie Marshall, David Lehde, William Cothrum, Robert Reeves, E. Findell

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Margot Murphy.

DISCUSSION

(1) DCA 123-004 Consideration of amending the Dallas Development Code to develop appropriate standards for urban agriculture.

Staff read draft ordinance into the record, including the proposed changes to bed cover height requirements, requiring contact information for garden association and 3-1-1 when animals are onsite, and terminology change from “Community Garden” to “Urban Garden” use. Brown asked if there would be a “grandfathering” of shade structures in front yards for residential districts. Staff said that regulation would be required to be met today, so there would not be an exception. There was discussion on how to best represent 3-1-1 contact information, decision was to give both the web address and phone number.

The public asked if an urban garden in a residential district would be allowed to have one or two onsite sales a year. Staff said this would fall under the garage sale ordinance. Public also asked if garden currently selling in residential districts would be grandfathered with the proposed changes. Staff answered if they are not allowed to sell onsite today, then they would have to come into compliance with the proposed changes.



MOTION #1

Motion to approve staff recommendations for SEC 51-4.215 and 51A-4.201 to expand the definition of urban garden, and allow Animal Production by SUP for non-residential districts.

Motion: Garry Brown
2nd: Mattye Jones

Result: Passed: 7 to 0
For: Murphy, Brown, Enzler, Shidid, Wilkes, Jones, and Gomez
Against: None
Absent: Shellene

(2) DCA 145-002 Consideration of amending the Dallas Development Code to amend Article X, the Landscape and Tree Preservation regulations.

Donna Moorman introduced the amendment process for Article X, the Landscape and Tree Preservation regulations of the Dallas Development Code. Ms. Moorman gave a brief overview of Article X, its history, the process for working through the amendments, and the distribution of information to the public as ZOC works through this amendment.

OTHER MATTERS:

1. MINUTES

MOTION #2

Motion to approve the minutes from January 22, 2015 meeting.

Motion: Gary Brown
2nd: Greg Wilkes

Result: Passed: 8 to 0
For: Jones, Enzler, Murphy, Brown, Shidid, Gomez, and Wilkes
Against: None
Absent: Shellene

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

NOTE: For more detailed information on discussion of an issue(s) heard during this meeting, refer to the tape recording retained on file in the Department of Sustainable Development and Construction, Dallas City Hall, Room 5/B/N.