

PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF BAY CITY

Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 5:30 AM COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 1901 5th Street

Bay City is committed to developing and enhancing the long-term prosperity, sustainability, and health of the community.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Meeting minutes of September 21, 2021

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR APPROVAL:

- 2. Discuss, consider, and/or approve a variance to City Code of Ordinance, Chapter 98 "Subdivisions", Section 98-98 "Lots" of a proposed plat of a 1.03 Acre Subdivision described in General Warranty Deed recorded in file no. 2021-6196 of the M.C.O.R. Elesha Hall League, Abstract No. 45 with variance to Lot 1 and 2. Alyssa Dibbern, Engineering Tech
- 3. Report and update on open requests for land use: Battery Energy Storage Facility (BESS), Popeyes, Palm Village Boat Storage, Other past minor plats.
- 4. Upcoming Developments Preliminary: TIRZ #1, TIRZ #1a, TIRZ #2, and TIRZ #4

ITEMS / COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

State Law prohibits any deliberation of or decisions regarding items presented in public comments. City Council may only make a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry; recite an existing policy; or request staff places the item on an agenda for a subsequent meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE

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This is to certify that the above notice of a Special Called Meeting was posted on the front window of the City Hall of the City of Bay City, Texas on **Monday, April 18, 2022 before 5:30 p.m**. Any questions concerning the above items, please contact Mayor Robert K. Nelson at (979) 245-2137.

AGENDA NOTICES:

Bay City Planning Commission:

The Bay City Planning Commission serves as an advisory body to City Council and the Mayor. Therefore, although the Board does not fall under the purview of the Texas Open Meetings Act, its meetings shall be open to members of the public.

Attendance by Other Elected or Appointed Officials:

It is anticipated that members of other city board, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commissions and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

The facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces available. Request for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the City Secretary's Office at 979-245-5311 or email, jthompson@cityofbaycity.org for further information.

Jeanna Thompson *City Secretary*

CITY OF BAY CITY

MINUTES • SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 1901 5th Street

Planning Commission Meeting

5:30 PM

1901 5TH STREET BAY CITY TX,77414



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CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Jessica Russell, Board Chair, at 5:30 pm. and a quorum was cerified.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioner Erik Frankson Commissioner Joshua Fortenberry Chairperson Jessica Russell Commissioner Zeinab Ghais

ABSENT Commissioner Raihan Khondker Commissioner Carolyn Volkmer

Also present: Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director Gary Murphree, G&W Engineers

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Fortenberry to approve the agenda. Second by Chairman Russell.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Frankson, Commissioner Fortenberry, Chairperson Russell, Commissioner Ghais. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2021

Motion made by Commissioner Fortenberry to approve the Minutes of February 11, 2021. Seconded by Commissioner Ghais.Voting Yea: Commissioner Frankson, Commissioner Fortenberry, Chairperson Russell, Commissioner Ghais. Motion carried.

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR APPROVAL:

 Discuss, consider, and/or approve a variance to City Code of Ordinance, Chapter 98 "Subdivisions", Section 98-128 "Lots", to replat according to actual existing structures located at 1703 & 1705 Moore Avenue, South 110' of Lots 11 & 12, Block 11, Bay City Original Townsite. Humberto Lopez, owner and Gary Murphree, Bay City Survey

Motion made by Commissioner Frankson to approve the variance to replat according to actual existing structures. Seconded by Commissioner Fortenberry. Voting Yea: Commissioner Frankson, Commissioner Fortenberry, Chairperson Russell, Commissioner Ghais. Motion carried.

ITEMS / COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

There were no items or comments from the board.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Frankson to adjourn, Seconded by Commissioner Fortenberry. Voting Yea: Commissioner Frankson, Commissioner Fortenberry, Chairperson Russell, Commissioner Ghais. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5.35 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

JESSICA RUSSELL CHAIRMAN





DATE: April 4, 2022

- TO: Planning Commission 1901 5th Street Bay City, Texas 77414
- FROM: Alyssa Dibbern Public Works 1217 Avenue J Bay City, Texas 77414
- **SUBJECT:** Lee Avenue/Lopez Subdivision Variance Request Minimum Lot Size deficiency due to needed access easement for City utilities

A variance is being requested on behalf of Mr. Lopez by the city of Bay City.

Reference: Variance to allow under sizing of lots due to a needed city access easement.

Mr. Lopez is subdividing 1.03 acres off Lee Avenue; recorded in File No. 2021-6196 of the M.CO.R. Elisha Hall League, Abstract No. 45. The city has a small lift station near Cottonwood Creek (referred to as 'Little Cottonwood Lift Station') in which Lopez's land is currently used as an access point. Lopez is dividing his land into lots for sale. In order in keep maintenance on Little Cottonwood Lift Station, the city will need an access easement. Due to this needed access easement, Lots 1 & 2 of Mr. Lopez's proposed subdivision, do not meet Municipal Code requirements (they would otherwise). Lots 1 & 2 will be 46 feet by 96 feet with a square foot of 4421 each.

According to Municipal Code Sec. 98-98. Lots. (f) subsection (1,2, &4):

(f)Minimum lot sizes shall be as follows:

(1) 50-foot width.

(2) 100-foot depth, unless otherwise approved.

(4) Lot area minimum: 6,000 square feet where served by sanitary sewers. A review of the Municipal Code found in:

Sec. 98-6. - Variances (a-c)

(a) The planning commission shall hear all requests for a variance from the provisions of this chapter. The planning commission may authorize a variance from this chapter when, in its opinion, undue hardship will result from requiring strict compliance. In granting a variance, the planning commission shall prescribe any condition or conditions that it deems necessary or desirable considering the public interest; in making the findings required in subsection (b), the variance committee shall take into consideration the following:

(1) The nature of the proposed use of the land involved and existing uses of land in the vicinity;

(2) The number of persons who will reside or work in the proposed subdivision;

(3) The probable effect of such variances upon traffic conditions and upon the public health, safety, convenience and welfare in the vicinity; and

(4) Any and all other facts the variance committee may deem relevant.

(b) No variance shall be granted unless the planning commission finds that:

(1) There are special circumstances or conditions affecting the land involved such that the strict application of these requirements would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of his land;

(2) The granting of the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or be injurious to other property in the area; and

(3) The granting of the variance will not have the effect of preventing the orderly

subdivision of other land in the area in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Such findings of the planning commission, together with the specified facts upon which such findings are based, shall be incorporated into the official minutes of the variance committee meeting at which such variance is granted. Variances may be granted only when in harmony with the general purpose and intent of these requirements so that the public health, safety and welfare may be secure and substantial justice done. Pecuniary hardship to the subdivider, standing alone, shall not be deemed to constitute hardship requiring variance under this chapter. (c) No variance shall be granted as to required improvements, minimum lot sizes or utilization except that variance may be granted for drainage improvements outside the city.

Plat approval involves three stages as required by Part II - Code of Ordinance, Chapter 98 - Subdivision, Article II. Platting Procedures, etc.:

- (1) Departmental review by the Public Works department and the Bay City Gas Company;
- (2) Completeness Review by the Director of Public Works; and
- (3) Final Approval by City Planning Commission.

Departmental review is still underway. Planning commission's guidance is being sought for further instructions.

Options:

- 1. Allow variance to allow minimum lot size due to needed city access easement.
- 2. Deny the variance for (2) lots under minimum lot size and agree for a shared driveway for access to lift station.

Requirements:

1. Depending on the outcome of the variance, a note will be added to the face of the plat stating the decision.

This situation, and others to be like it, will be considered on a case-by-case basis. The circumstances will determine to conclusion.

Alyssa Dibbern Engineering Technician, Public Works







April 21st 2022 - Planning Commission Other Minor Plats (and Subdivisions): Magills Humberto Lopez Hurley Blackcat Substation Anderson Hinojosa Subdivision Folse Subdivision

ITEM #3.





TIRZ Boundary

Legal Description

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MATAGORDA

All of that certain tract or parcel containing 49.71 acres situated in the I. & G. N. R. R. Company Survey, Abstract No. 270 and in the I. & G. N. R. R. Company Survey, Abstract No. 271 of Matagorda County, Texas and being a part of the same property described as 40.40 acres in Deed dated February 20, 1937 from Amalia Teresa Meschkat to A. Uher, recorded in Volume 116, Page 516 of the Deed Records of Matagorda County, Texas and a part of the same property described as 5.09 acres in Deed dated June 14, 1937 from Gulf Coast Water Company to A. Uher, recorded in Volume 120, Page 402 of the Deed Records of Matagorda County, Texas and a part of the same property described as 28.68662 acres in Deed dated April 10, 1950 from G. A. Bailey and Myrtle Bailey to A. Uher, recorded in Volume 214, Page 28 of the Deed Records of Matagorda County, Texas. This 49.71 acres is more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at an existing 1/2 inch iron rod (N=13,555,407.98; E=2,946,942.49) located in the West line of Old Van Vleck Road and at the Southeast corner of a 0.72 acre tract described in Deed recorded in File No. 20173019 of the Official Records of Matagorda County, Texas for the Northeast corner of this 49.71 acres being described;

THENCE South 03° 17' 50" East, with the West line of Old Van Vleck Road a distance of 393.66 feet to an existing fence corner post located at the Northeast corner of a 1.0 acre tract described in Deed recorded in File No. 112151 of the Official Records of Matagorda County, Texas and at the Southeast corner of a 20 Foot Wide Utility Easement described in Deed recorded in File No. 20176742 of the Official Records of Matagorda County, Texas for East corner of this 49.71 acres being described;

THENCE South 86° 25' 58" West [deed call = South 86° 26' 30" West] crossing a portion of the said 28.68662 acre tract with the North line of the said 1.0 acre tract and the South line of the said Utility Easement, a distance of 295.31 feet [deed call = 295.40 feet] to an existing 1/2 inch iron rod located in the East line of an 8.214 acre tract described in Deed recorded in File No. 20176743 of the Official Records of Matagorda County, Texas and at the Northwest corner of the said 1.0 acre tract and at the Southwest corner of the said Utility Easement for a corner of this 49.71 acres being described;



