

VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY
MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, January 26, 2021

A virtual ZOOM meeting of the Planning Commission of the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, A Michigan City was held on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Gary Mitchell, Pat Chasteen, Patrick McCarroll, Gary Gula, Greg De Mars, and City Council Liaison Doug Kucyk

Excused: Chairperson Mary Matuja

Also Present: City Planning Consultant Dave Scurto, and Assistant City Manager Tom Krolczyk

Motion by Kucyk and seconded by McCarroll to excuse Commissioner Matuja, unanimously approved.

Commissioner Mitchell recused himself due his relationship with the petitioner.

All items pertinent to this meeting are either attached or placed on file.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 27, 2020 regular meeting, on motion by Commissioner Chasteen and seconded by City Council Liaison Kucyk, the minutes were approved 6-0.

PLAN REVIEWS, VARIANCE REQUESTS AND HEARINGS –

55 Renaud Rd – Special Land Use for an Athletic Court -Joe Backer contractor for the petitioner explained the project and the need for the athletic court as the petitioner is a professional athlete. He also noted that he will be screening/surrounding the athletic court with 8 foot arborvitae bushes. McCarroll asked about the materials being used, in which Backer replied it will be a typical asphalt court with a basketball net and possibly pickle ball or other court related sports. Scurto stated that there are no problems that he can foresee. There was mention of exterior lighting. Backer replied it will not be lit and for daytime use only. Backer also reached out to the neighbor to the West who would be the most affected and he had no concerns. DeMars pointed out that there seemed to be a lot of coverage in the rear, including a pool, patio and the court and if there was a coverage exceedance issue. Scurto replied that there was nothing in our ordinance pertaining to coverage on athletic courts and since all the surfaces were at grade or below, they would not count as coverage.

Motion by Gula to approve the Special Land Use without lighting unless permitted by the city at a later date. Motion seconded by Kucyk; unanimous, Commissioner Mitchell recused; Council Liaison Kucyk abstained.

COMMUNICATIONS – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

NEXT MEETING DATE - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021 AT 8:00 A.M. VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING. CHECK WEBSITE FOR INSTRUCTIONS

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at

8:52 a.m. on motion by Commissioner McCarroll and seconded by Commissioner Kucyk; unanimously approved 6-0.

Planning Secretary
Planning Commission