

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Chairperson George Houtman called the Board of Adjustment meeting to order on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 5:00 PM in the Chamber's Room of the City & County Government Center. Members present were Justin Borns, Matt Chandler, Dustin Edmison, Nick Schmeichel-via telephone and Houtman. Absent was Jeremy Scott. Others present were Community Development Director Mike Struck, City Planner Ryan Miller, Major Anderson, and Aaron Johnston.

Item #1 – Roll Call

Item #2 – (Borns/Chandler) Motion to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #3 – (Edmison/Chandler) Motion to approve the December 3, 2020 minutes. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #4a – Major Anderson made a request for a variance on Lot 9, Block 2, Blairhill Addition. The variance request seeks a reduced side setback to 6' from the required 8'.

(Borns/Chandler) Motion to approve the variance request. All present voted naye. **MOTION FAILED.**

Item #5a – 2020 Annual Report

(Chandler/Schmeichel) Motion to approve the 2020 Annual Report. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Mike Struck
Community Development Director

George Houtman
Chairperson

OFFICIAL SUMMARY

Item #4a – Major Anderson explained that they are proposing to build a home on the lot in question which has a 10-foot utility easement on the east side of the property. Covenants for the lot require a three-stall garage. Anderson wants 10-foot wide garage doors instead of 9-feet. Anderson has spoken with Brookings Municipal Utilities about encroaching into the utility easement to the east and was advised to seek a variance for the side setback to the west first.

Chair Houtman read a letter provided by Don Endres, 1600 Blairhill Cir., opposing the variance request. Aaron Johnston, 1425 Sheridan Cir., spoke in opposition of the variance request.

(Borns/Chandler) Motion to approve the variance request. All present voted naye. **MOTION FAILED.**

Item #5a – Miller explained that the annual report is a report of yearly activity of the Board of Adjustment and is submitted to the City Council upon recommendation of approval by the board.

(Chandler/Schmeichel) Motion to approve the 2020 Annual Report. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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