

**MINUTES
AUSTIN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH, 2003
5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Members Present: Suzanne McCarthy, Sue Grove, Brian D. Johnson, Janet Anderson, Sue Howard, Gordon Kuehne, Glenn Mair, Jack Rosenberg

Members Absent: Richard Bergstrom

Others Present: Council Members Gloria Nordin and Pete Christopherson, Craig Hoium, Craig Byram, and Public

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chair Brian D. Johnson at 5:30 P.M.

Motion to approve October 14th minutes made by Commission Chair Member Anderson, seconded by Commission Member Grove. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Open Public Hearing: To consider a request from Nathan Neitzel, 1004 1st AVE NW, for a 7 foot, 6 inch variance from the minimum 12 foot, 6 inch corner side yard setback for structures located in a “R-1” Single-Family Residence District. This requested action is pursuant to Austin City Code Section 11.01, (93), (c) and would involve the proposed 21 foot by 9 foot, 10 inch garage addition on the property located at 1210 17th ST NE.

Mr. Hoium addressed the Commission and reviewed the request. He pointed out that the majority of development was done before annexation into the city. He showed a diagram of the proposed addition and photos of existing buildings. He had one response from a neighbor who had no problem with the request. The council needs to decide if this addition will impede the intersection at all.

Commission Member Johnson stated that the addition is on the east side so it would not block visibility.

Commission Member Howard agreed.

Commission Member McCarthy made a motion to recommend approval by the City Council, because it will not affect visibility and would also improve the property. Commission Member Grove seconded. Motion passed unanimously

Other Business:

There was discussion of possible amendments for the following Zoning Ordinances:

- 1) City Code Section 4.50, Sign Ordinance: Area and Height Restrictions
- 2) City Code Section 4.70, Fence Ordinance: Height Restrictions on Corner Side Yard Areas
- 3) City Code Section 11.01, Accessory Structures: Area Limitations
- 4) City Code Section 11.70, Off-Street Parking: Factors for Various Land Uses
- 5) City Code Section 11.75, Fence: Height Requirements for Swimming Pools

Craig will proceed in drafting these ordinances.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Commission Member Mair to adjourn Planning Commission Meeting. Commission Member Rosenberg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M.