

Morgan County Planning Commission

Minutes
Work Session Meeting
January 22, 2016
8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Connie Booth, Brian Lehman, Dennis Myers, John McMahon, Starr Sheppard
NOT PRESENT: Faye Craft, Joe Cardwell, Scott Campbell, Wes Holt, Maryann Dartnell
ALSO PRESENT: Chuck Jarrell, Tara Cooner

PUBLIC HEARING

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

There is no administrative business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There is no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

- I. Buckhead Baptist Church is requesting Conditional Use approval to construct a youth center at 1051 Parks Mill Road, Buckhead, Georgia, 30625 (Tax Parcels 052A-033B, 052A-034, 052A-035 & 052A-039).

Chuck Jarrell presented an overview of the staff report. He noted the 50 foot setback, as shown in the staff report, and that the location of the current buildings within the setback was grandfathered. He explained that the field where the youth center is proposed is currently used as overflow parking and is fairly flat. The Planning Commission asked questions about the size of the current parking lot and the construction of the proposed building.

- II. Buckhead Baptist Church is requesting a variance to the front setback required for a religious institution for property at 1051 Parks Mill Road, Buckhead, Georgia, 30625 (Tax Parcels 052A-033B, 052A-034, 052A-035 & 052A-039).

Mr. Jarrell presented an overview of the staff report. He explained that the proposed youth center was originally submitted with a 17 foot setback, whereas the Buckhead Zoning ordinance requires 50 feet for a religious institution. He reviewed the options given to the contractor, including requesting a variance, reducing the size of the building or turning the building. He also noted the issues presented by the railroad right-of-way. The Planning Commission asked various questions about the different options.

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ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Brian Lehman
Brian Lehman, Chairman

Date 3/24/16

Tara Cooner
Tara Cooner, Secretary

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