



WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 17, 2019

1. Opening Items

1.01 Call to Order

The meeting of the Zoning Advisory Committee was call to order at 5:47 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at Jesse Hall Elementary School, 185 Shelby Dr., Sparks, Nevada 895436

1.02 Roll Call

Chair Beth Smith and members Polly Boardman, Christina Pearson, Jennifer Peterson (via telephone), Adam Carpenter, Jason Shipman, and Dana Galvin were present at roll call. Members Theresa Birchfield, Lorrain Toole, Sierra Clark, Stephanie Hanna and Melissa Boesen were absent. Committee Liaison Dr. Paul LaMarca and staff were also present.

Member Araceli Martinez arrived at 6:12 p.m.

1.03 Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

1.04 Action to Adopt the Agenda

On motion by Polly Boardman, second by Dana Galvin, the Zoning Advisory Committee approved the agenda as presented (Yea: Beth Smith, Polly Boardman, Christina Pearson, Jennifer Peterson (via telephone), Adam Carpenter, Jason Shipman, and Dana Galvin. Final Resolution: Motion Carries 7-0

2. Items for Discussion, Presentation, And/or Action

2.01 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 15, 2018 ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

There was discussion and suggested changes to the minutes.

On motion by Polly Boardman, second by Christina Pearson, the Zoning Advisory Committee approved the minutes, with suggested changes, of the Zoning Advisory Committee meeting of November 15, 2018. (Yea: Beth Smith,

Polly Boardman, Christina Pearson, Jennifer Peterson (via telephone), Adam Carpenter, Jason Shipman, and Dana Galvin. Final Resolution: Motion Carries 7-0

2.02 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF PREVIOUS ZONING CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO SCHOOLS IN SPANISH SPRINGS, INCLUDING YVONNE SHAW MIDDLE SCHOOL, SKY RANCH MIDDLE SCHOOL, ALYCE TAYLOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, JESSE HALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SPANISH SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EDWARD VAN GORDER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BUD BEASLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MIGUEL SEPULVEDA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND THE NEW JOHN BOHACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SCHEDULED TO OPEN FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Adam Searcy, Chief Capital Projects and Facilities Management Officer began the presentation of the zoning changes. Mr. Searcy explained that the Spanish Springs area Elementary and Middle School zoning presented to this committee for discussion, about a year ago, was by mistake presented to the Board as formal for action and it was approved. Mr. Searcy explained that the committee has the ability to reexamine as see fit. Dr. Paul LaMarca commented that what was presented to the Board was accurate; however, the zoning committee had not made a formal recommendation for Bohach Elementary School.

Public Comment:

Malia Puchta stated that she feels that this title is misleading. She stated that she could not find any reference of any discussion or vote in the meeting minutes since it was first brought up in February.

2.03 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ZONING CHANGES THAT COULD AFFECT ALYCE TAYLOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, JESSE HALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SPANISH SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EDWARD VAN GORDER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SKY RANCH MIDDLE SCHOOL YVONNE SHAW MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND/OR THE NEW JOHN BOHACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SCHEDULED TO OPEN FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Adam Searcy, Chief Capital Projects and Facilities Management Officer, presented three rezoning options to address overcrowding at Taylor Elementary School. Rezoning option one only impacts Hall Elementary School and Taylor ES. Option 2 also just involves those two schools, Hall Elementary School and Taylor Elementary School. Option 3

involves Van Gorder Elementary School, Spanish Springs Elementary School and Bohach Elementary School.

Public Comment:

Scott Mullins suggested the possibility to change the zoning in option 3. He asked the committee to consider sending the students from the new Lennar house development to Van Gorder Elementary School; he believes Bohach Elementary School will be at its maximum in 5 to 7 years.

Malia Puchtta suggested the district looks at the possibility to re-work the lines for more equity of enrollment and pointed out the district could save money in transportation should students living in walk zones attend their zoned school.

Megan Rix expressed concern over students from Spanish Springs Elementary School on variances, do they get to come back while the rest get rezoned and suggested that the district pay close attention to new developments coming into the area for student growth.

On motion by Jason Shipman, seconded by Polly Boardman, the Zoning Advisory Committee recommended Rezone Option One to the Board of Trustees. (Yea: Beth Smith, Polly Boardman, Christina Pearson, Jennifer Peterson (via telephone), Adam Carpenter, Jason Shipman, and Dana Galvin. Final Resolution: Motion Carries 7-0

2.04 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT THE CASCADING EFFECTS OF THE POTENTIAL ZONING BOUNDARY CHANGES STEMMING FROM THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL IN ARROWCREEK, INCLUDING A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE TIMELINE OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Adam Searcy, Chief Capital Projects and Facilities Management Officer, presented the cascading effects of the potential zoning changes stemming from the new middle school in Arrowcreek. Breaking ground of the new school is next month. Mr. Searcy explained that Hunsberger Elementary School, Lenz Elementary School and Pleasant Valley Elementary School would be the only three schools to rezone into the new middle school.

3 CLOSING ITEMS

3.01 ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Zoning Advisory Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 5:30. The location of the meeting will be announced.

3.02 PUBLIC COMMENT

John Rigos asked if they had enough members to vote on item number one and asked if the rezoning would start this school year.

3.03 ADJOURN MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.