

MINUTES OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE
Thursday, September 24, 2020 - 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: DeJoy, Hood, Lindeke, and Syed
EXCUSED: Baker, Edgerton, Grill, and Rangel Morales
STAFF: Kady Dadlez, Samantha Langer, Allan Torstenson, and Peter Warner

The meeting was chaired by Commissioner Lindeke. He stated that the chair of the Planning Commission had determined that due to the COVID-19 pandemic it is neither practical nor prudent for the Zoning Committee to meet in person, and therefore the meeting was being conducted remotely, with all members of the Zoning Committee attending the meeting remotely and the public able to submit comments by noon on the day before the meeting and monitor the meeting remotely. All written testimony is published online and made available to the Zoning Committee members for review before the meeting.

Michael Allen - 20-071-884 - Conditional use permit for a three-unit cluster development, with setback and lot coverage variances., 1725 Carroll Ave, NE corner at Herschel Street

Kady Dadlez presented the staff report with a recommendation of approval with a condition for the conditional use permit and variances. She said the Union Park Committee on Land Use and Economic Development supports the application. Their recommendation will go before the full board in October. There were no letters submitted in support or opposition.

Michael Allen, 1555 Selby Ave., St. Paul, MN said if they were to build anything on this property, they would need a variance request due to the existing building being out of line with the front and rear setbacks. He thinks they are reasonable requests and they took a lot of different people's thoughts into account, including their neighbors, when designing the project. They have made sure that the garage placement will not block sunlight for the patio that they are proposing for the connected apartment, and not to block sunlight to the neighbor to the west.

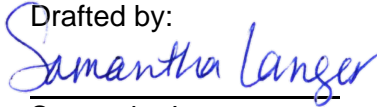
In response to Commissioner Lindeke, Mr. Allen provided history of the building. It was originally a warehouse for the Donovan Group. It has also been used as office space for the Saint Paul Teamsters and Fink Insurance Group. He said his company purchased the building from the Minneapolis Foundation about five years ago and used it for short term office space.

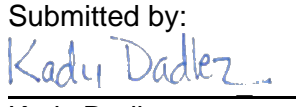
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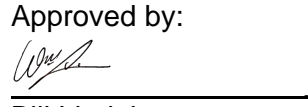
Commissioner Anne DeJoy moved approval, with a condition, of the conditional use permit and variances. Commissioner Nate Hood seconded the motion.

The motion passed by a vote of 4-0-0.

Adopted Yeas - 4 Nays - 0 Abstained - 0

Drafted by:

Samantha Langer
Recording Secretary

Submitted by:

Kady Dadlez
City Planner

Approved by:

Bill Lindeke
Chair









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