

**CITY OF POLSON
COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

Commission Chambers

August 17, 2020

6:34 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Briney, Commissioners, Howlett, Marchello, Martin, Pardini, City Clerk Cora Pritt

ABSENT: Commissioners Isbell, Moll

OTHERS PRESENT (who voluntarily signed in): Lita Fonda, John Kellogg, Lee Manicke

CALL TO ORDER: (00:05) Mayor Briney called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA (01:16) –**Commissioner Martin motion to approve the proposed agenda. Commissioner Marchello second.** Commission discussion: none Public comment none. **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON SIGNIFICANT MATTERS TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA (02:34) – none

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING 6:38 p.m. (02:52) - Mayor Briney opened the Public Hearing

ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST (VA #21-01); REDUCTION OF FRONT YARD SETBACK ALONG 1ST STREET WEST AT 101 4TH AVENUE WEST (03:17)-City Planner Kyle Roberts presented. Soft Rock, LLC is the applicant and their representative is John Kellogg. There was one comment received from the public. Notices were published and letters to adjacent property owners were mailed. The property is vacant and has been as far back as 1975. This is a straight forward request to decrease the 25 foot set back by 10 feet. The lot is a corner lot located in Old Town Residential Zoning District. Staff recommends approval of this request. Commissioner Martin asked about the vision triangle. City Planner Roberts responded that there would be clear vision and no trees or shrub would be permitted. Commissioner Pardini commented that she went to the neighborhood and observed most of the homes face 4th Avenue West rather than 1st Street. These lots have double back yards. Applicant John Kellogg commented that Mr. Roger Russ, Soft Rock LLC purchased the property in 2011 to build a single family residence. The lot is narrow, only 20 feet wide and this would not accommodate a single family home. The Polson Development Code defines 1st Street West as a collector street but the Transportation Plan has a different definition. Commissioner Pardini pointed out that one side of 1st Street West is residential while the other side is commercial. Commissioner Pardini suggested rotating the home to face 4th Avenue West.

PUBLIC COMMENT: John Kellogg pointed out that all homes south face 1st Street West and have setbacks less than the 25 feet.

Mayor Briney Closed the Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m. (28:47)

Prior to adjourning Mayor Briney asked the Commission if Action Minutes are agreeable. The Commission stated yes Action Minutes are agreeable.

Adjourn (28:56) - Commissioner Marchello motion to adjourn. Commissioner Howlett second. VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried.

ADJOURN: 7:04p.m.

Mayor Paul Briney

ATTEST:

Cora E. Pritt, City Clerk