

January 19, 2010

The Land Use Commission of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, met in regular session at its regular meeting place located at 101 North Huntington Street, Sulphur, Louisiana, at 5:30 p.m., on the 19th day of January, 2010, after full compliance with the convening of said meeting, with the following members present:

EARL DORMAN, Land Use Commission of District 1
TROY DARBY, Land Use Commission of District 2
JOHNNY PEEL, Land Use Commission of District 3
LAWRENCE DAVID, Land Use Commission of District 4
GERRIT LAWRENCE, Land Use Commission of District 5

After the meeting was called to order and the roll called with the above results, prayer was led by Mr. Lawrence followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Peel.

The Chairman asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Darby seconded by Mr. Lawrence that the agenda stand as written.

The first item on the agenda is a resolution granting an exception to Lee Marsalise to allow for mobile homes to be located in a Business District located at 2024 Carr Lane. Mr. Marsalise stated that he moved in 4 mobile homes that he purchased from FEMA. He assumed mobile homes were allowed at this location since there were mobile homes there before. FEMA gave him 24 hours for him to pick up the mobile homes. Keith Berry, Building Official, stated that they have not inspected the mobile homes yet. The mobile homes were moved in on a weekend and Mr. Marsalise did not get any permits.

Motion was made by Mr. Darby seconded by Mr. Lawrence that the following amendment be added to the resolution:

- Model of mobile homes located on lot must be 2004 or newer.

Motion carried.

Motion was then made by Mr. Darby seconded by Mr. Lawrence that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION

Resolution granting an exception in accordance with Article IV, Part 3, Section 4 (3) (b) to Lee Marsalise, 2024 Carr Lane, to allow for mobile homes to be located in a Business District.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Land Use Commission of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, that they do hereby grant an exception in accordance with Article IV, Part 3, Section 4 (3) (b) to Lee Marsalise, 2024 Carr Lane, to allow for mobile homes to be located in a Business District with the following stipulation:

- Model of mobile homes located on lot must be 2004 or newer.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Dorman, Mr. Darby, Mr. Peel, Mr. David, Mr. Lawrence

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

LAWRENCE DAVID, Chairman

The next item on the agenda is a resolution granting a rezone from Mixed Residential District to Business District to Rodney Ducote, Jr., 920 West Burton Street, to allow for an automotive repair business. Mr. Ducote stated that he purchased this property in 2007 as commercial property. He pays commercial taxes on it. He doesn't understand why he can't use this metal building as a business. He has received signatures from all surrounding neighbors and no one had any objections.

Mr. Bruce stated that in his recommendation to the Land Use Commission he objected to the rezone because this is considered “spot zoning”. This rezone is a “grandfathering” issue. The business that was there before has been closed for more than two years.

Mr. Ducote asked why the City did not involve the Tax Assessor’s office when they adopted zoning. Each piece of property should have been zoned according to the way the property taxes were being paid.

After discussion, motion was made by Mr. Peel seconded by Mr. Darby that the following resolution be adopted to-wit:

RESOLUTION

Resolution granting a rezone to Rodney Ducote, Jr. from Mixed Residential District to Business District to allow for an automotive repair business.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Land Use Commission of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, that they do hereby grant a rezone to Rodney Ducote, Jr. from Mixed Residential District to Business District to allow for an automotive repair business.

A vote was then called with the results as follows:

YEAS: Mr. Dorman, Mr. Darby, Mr. Peel, Mr. David, Mr. Lawrence

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

And the said resolution was declared duly adopted on this 19th day of January, 2010.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

LAWRENCE DAVID, Chairman

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Secretary

LAWRENCE DAVID, Chairman

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6:05 P.M.