

**ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL
TELECONFERENCE MEETING FROM TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA
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Thursday, January 26, 2017
2:00 PM**

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Joe Del Vecchio
James Woolyhand

Paul Viksne

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL NOT PRESENT:

Carol Stachurski, M. Chairperson

STAFF PRESENT:

Chip Sellers
April Hammonds
Thomas Campbell
Chip Sellers
Jim Hammers

Mo Madani
Nick DuVal
Chris Howell
Robert Benbow
Marlita Peters

Welcome:

Time: 2:00 pm

Ms. Peters welcomed everyone to the teleconference call of the Accessibility Advisory Council. She asked that staff identify themselves for the record. Ms. Peters provided information for the callers on how to mute systems to avoid background noise.

Roll Call:

Ms. Peters performed roll call for the Accessibility Advisory Council. A quorum was determined with 3 out of 4 members present.

Agenda Approval:

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to accept the agenda as posted. Mr. Viksne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

Approval of the Minutes from December 1, 2016:

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Viksne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3 to 0.

Accessibility Waivers:

2700 Biscayne Blvd #165

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver for 2700 Biscayne Blvd. based on economic hardship.

The applicant was not on the call.

Mr. Woolyhand entered a motion to grant based on economic hardship. Mr. Viksne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

1200 Ocean Drive Change of Use #210

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver for 1200 Ocean Drive based on economic hardship.

Present on the call were Jacob Sinclair, Owner, Francilis Domond, Architect and Mickey Marrero, Esq. for this waiver.

1200 Ocean Drive Change of Use #210 (cont.):

Discussion was held among the Council with the owner and architect. Historical documents were attached. Mr. Madani spoke on Chapter 30 of the Florida Building Code for the elevator size.

Larry Schneider asked for the size of the elevator.

Ms. Hammonds advised the size is 42" by 54".

Mr. Schneider advised there is an exception in the Florida Accessibility Building code under 407.4.1 that can measure that allows an elevator cab to be 54" by 36". He further stated that the applicant should go back to the City of Miami Beach and further discuss the issue.

Mr. Woolyhand entered a motion to defer the application to allow the applicant time to go back to the City to discuss as this property does have an elevator and clarification of exactly what the City is asking for and why they are asking for a waiver for vertical accessibility. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

Universal Orlando's Volcano Bay #209

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver for Universal Orlando's Volcano Bay based on economic hardship.

Present on the call were John McReynolds representing owner, James Klute, General Contractor. Mr. McReynolds provided full background on the new waterpark and cabanas.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to deny as this is new construction. Mr. Woolyhand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

Arede Construction Office Remodeling #181

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver for Arede Construction Office Remodeling based on economic hardship.

The applicant was not on the call.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to defer to obtain current estimates. Mr. Woolyhand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

Vapiano Doral #217

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver for Vapiano Doral based on economic hardship.

Chloe Keidaish, Architect and Andreas Moser, Owner, were present on the call.

Mr. Woolyhand entered a motion to deny as this is new construction. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

241 MIAMI LLC #175

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver for 241 Miami LLC based on economic hardship.

Present on the call were Wesley Castellanos, Architect, Deigo Alonso and Mr. Colomer, representing owner.

Ms. Hammonds advised the Council that this application was denied by them in December, however, the applicants came before the Commission with information and the Commission referred them back to the Council to provide the additional documentation.

There was in-depth discussion on this waiver and the multiple deferrals on this application.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to defer to obtain a full cost estimates. Mr. Woolyhand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

184 NE 50 Terrace Restaurant #202

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver for 184 NE 50 Terrace Restaurant based on economic hardship.

Colin Roopnarin, Esq. was on the call representing the owner.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to grant based on economic hardship. Mr. Viksne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

Kellie Alpert #219

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver for Kellie Alpert based on economic hardship.

Kellie Alpert, Owner, and Haven Burkee, Architect, were present on the call.

Mr. Woolyhand entered a motion to defer to allow applicant to obtain historical documentation. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

The Galleria At Downtown Fort Pierce LLC #221

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver for The Galleria at Downtown Fort Pierce, LLC #221 based on economic hardship.

Gustavo Gutierrez, Owner was present on the call.

Clarification will be needed to determine technical infeasibility and economical infeasibility.

Mr. Woolyhand entered a motion to defer to allow applicant to secure letter from the Building Official and documents that provide a full design that will define the space. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

The Galleria At Downtown Fort Pierce LLC #222

Mr. Benbow presented the waiver for The Galleria at Downtown Fort Pierce, LLC #222 based on economic hardship.

Gustavo Gutierrez, Owner was present on the call.

Clarification will be needed to determine technical infeasibility and economical infeasibility.

Mr. Woolyhand entered a motion to defer to allow applicant to secure a letter from the Building Official and documents for the full design that define the space. Mr. Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

A&S Courier International, LLC #196 (deferred from 12/1/2016 Council Meeting)

Mr. Sellers presented the waiver for A & S Courier International, LLC based on economic hardship and was deferred previously for documentation that has not been provided.

Phillips Aguirre, Architect was on the call for the applicant.

Mr. Del Vecchio entered a motion to defer to allow applicant to provide all costs with line items listed. Mr. Viksne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

Final Roll Call:

Ms. Peters conducted final roll call and all three members were remaining on the call.

Adjournment: 3:52 p.m.