

TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA

**MINUTES
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING**

April 16, 2013

6:30 p.m.

**Royal Oaks Park Community Center
16500 NW 87th Avenue, Miami Lakes, FL 33018**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman George Lopez called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Deputy Town Clerk, Gina Inguanzo, called the roll and the following Board Members were present: Avelino Leoncio, Ameli Padron-Fragetta Raul de La Sierra, Lorenzo Cobiella, Vice Chairman Carballo and Chairman Lopez. Board Member Fred Senra was absent.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Chairman Lopez led the Pledge of Allegiance and called for a moment of silence.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Approval of Minutes

Board Member Raul de La Sierra made a motion to accept the minutes from October 16, 2012, November 20, 2012, February 19, 2013 and March 19, 2013. The motion received a second from Board Member Lorenzo Cobiella and all were in favor.

5. BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION:

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS - Please be advised that the following items on the Board's agenda are quasi-judicial in nature. An opportunity for persons to speak on each item will be made available after the applicant and staff have made their presentations on each item. All testimony, including public testimony and evidence, will be made under oath or affirmation. Additionally, each person who gives testimony may be subject to cross-examination. If you do not wish to be either cross-examined or sworn,

your testimony will be given its due weight. The general public will not be permitted to cross-examine witnesses, but the public may request the Board to ask questions of staff or witnesses on their behalf. Persons representing organizations must present evidence of their authority to speak for the organization. Any person presenting documents to the Board should provide the Town Clerk with a minimum of 10 copies. Further details of the quasi-judicial procedure may be obtained from the Clerk.

A. HEARING NUMBER: VARH2013-0002

APPLICANT: Anthony Ditizio

FOLIO: 32-2015-012-0710

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 5, Block 25, 6th addition to Royal Oaks according to the declaration of Restrictive Covenants as recorded in official record book 133 page 31 of the public Records of Miami Dade County, Florida.

LOCATION: 8200 NW 163rd Street, Miami Lakes, FL 33016

ZONING DISTRICT: RU-1

Brandon, Senior Planner of the Town of Miami Lakes, presented the item and answered questions posed by the Board.

Applicant, Anthony Ditizio, spoke on behalf of the item.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Vice Chairman Carballo made a motion to approve the first variance, Request #1, to allow a fence, wall and gate in the required side yard facing a street where none is allowed. The motion received a second from Board Member Lopez. The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and all were in favor. Board Member Senra was absent.

Chairman Lopez made a motion to deny variance request #2. The motion received a second from Board Member Leoncio. The Deputy Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 5-1. Vice Chairman Carballo voted in opposition. Board Member Senra was absent.

Chairman Lopez made a motion to move variance request #2 with the following condition; to allow one (1) foot of Bamboo wall. The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and the motion failed 5-1. Vice Chairman Carballo voted in support of the motion and Board Member Senra was absent.

Board Member De La Sierra made a motion to revisit motion #1, approving the first variance, Request #1, with the condition that Applicant shall obtain a demolition permit to remove the bamboo topping on the existing wall. The motion received a motion from Chairman Lopez. The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed, 5-1. Vice Chairman Carballo voted in opposition and Board Member Senra was absent.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

No Director's Report.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Approved this 16 day of July, 2013.



George Lopez, Chairman

Attest:



Marjorie Tejada-Castillo, Town Clerk