

MASTER BOARD OF APPEALS

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 7, 2018

The Master Board of Appeals met on Wednesday, November 7, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, Civic Center, 350 Kimbark Street.

Chairperson Russell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and asked for roll call. Board members present were Mr. Don Russell, Mr. Tom Martinez and Ms. Geri Boone. Mr. Dave Bishton and Mr. Kim Logan were absent. Also present were J McKnight, Acting Chief Building Official, Michele Goldman, Fire Captain, Marc Sampson, Assistant Fire Marshall and Linda Meade, Recording Secretary.

Chairperson Russell asked for approval of the September 5, 2018 meeting minutes.

MR. RUSSELL MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 5, 2018, MINUTES, MR. MARTINEZ SECONDED. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR.

MBA18-002 - REQUEST FOR AN APPEAL TO TITLE 9 AND 16 OF THE LONGMONT MUNICIPAL CODE TO APPLY SECTION 903.2.8 TO SECTION 419, LIVE/WORK UNITS.

Mark Sampson introduced the case while explaining the applicant has not submitted any construction drawings, he has not submitted any plans from a registered engineer or registered architect to go forth with reviewing or permits. At previous meetings with the applicant he was told it would be classified as a Live/Work Unit.

The applicant was not present. It was decided to hear the case. Mr. Sampson, Assistant Fire Marshal and the Board were unclear what exactly the applicant would be submitting for plans and how to proceed with any given approval with none present. Mr. Sampson said as a Live/Work unit the area would need to be suppressed.

Mr. McKnight said there were no plans submitted to the Building Inspection for permitting review. Mr. Russell said it is very hard for the Board to evaluate a decision without detail. Ms. Boone said there is nothing submitted to reflect it would be a multi-story, only the main level and the basement. Mr. Martinez said that the applicant is not here to explain the language in his submittal and a statement made in his application is not accurate in regards to how fire generates air. He added there are very few egress's to this building.

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Mr. Sampson said he would be free to run his business as a B occupancy currently but he could not reside in the B occupancy as part of the Site Plan process.

MS. BOONE MADE A MOTION TO DENY THE APPLICANTS APPLICATION, MR. MARTINEZ SECONDED. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR OF DENIAL.

OLD BUSINESS – Term limits on the Master Board

Ms. Goldman said she would be happy to pursue an ordinance or council communication for deleting this requirement of term limits for the Board.

MR. MARTINEZ MADE A MOTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO PURSUE REMOVING THE TERM LIMIT REQUIREMENT FROM THE MASTER BOARD. MR. RUSSELL SECONDED, THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR.

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Sampson said the 2018 amendments in ordinance form are in the City Attorney's office and they are still shooting for adoption with the effective date of January 1st, 2019.

MS. BOONE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:20, MR. RUSSELL SECONDED. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

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Chairperson

Linda Meade Recording Secretary