COLUMBIA CITY PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING / PUBLIC DECISION

VIA "ZOOM MEETING" December 21, 2021 - 6:30 P.M.

PLANNING

COMMISSIONERS: Kelly Niles, Chair* *Denotes Commissioner absent

Barbara Gordon, Vice-Chair*

Coralee Aho Bill Amos Doug Calkins Dana Marble

STAFF: Lauren Scott, City Planner

Helen Johnson, Planning Administrative Assistant

OTHERS: Kenneth Lee, variance applicant at 100 K Street

MEETING TO ORDER:

Commissioner Bill called the meeting to order in Chair Kelly's absence at 6:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

IT WAS MOVED (DOUG) AND SECONDED (CORALEE) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2021 AND NOVEMBER 16, 2021 MEETINGS, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CITIZEN INPUT AND REQUESTS:

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Public Decision:

Commissioner Bill stated this is a public decision continuance for a variance to setback standards at 100 K Street. He explained this time if for the Planning Commission to deliberate and consider any additional evidence that was received.

Commissioner Bill asked Lauren if there was anything additional to present aside from the additional analysis distributed in the packet to Commissioners. Lauren said there is not, but would be open to any questions.

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Commissioner Dana asked Lauren for staff's recommendation. Lauren clarified that on page five of six of the additional analysis that staff is still recommending denial of the application because the additional testimony does not demonstrate that all of the conditions required for a variance by the Columbia City Development Code have been met.

Make Decision:

Commissioner Doug stated he agrees with staff that it doesn't fit with current codes, the additional information provided was from 30 years ago or more. Commissioners Dana and Coralee also agreed with staff's recommendation.

IT WAS MOVED (DANA) AND SECONDED (DOUG) TO DENY THE APPLICATON PER THE FINDINGS OF FACT IN THE STAFF REPORT AND STAFF'S RECOMMENDATON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Commissioner Bill shared that variance requests of this type might be something the Planning Commission should consider with the next Development Code revision. He said we could consider the types of situations we would allow exceptions for. Commissioner Bill stated it was good that we enforced the code as it is today.

NEW BUSINESS:		
No meeting in January.		
ADJOURNMENT:		
Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.		
Bill Amos Planning Commissioner	Attest by:	Helen K Johnson Planning Administrative Assistant