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REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

December 20, 2022

The Zoning Board of Appeals met at 2:00 p.m. on December 20, 2022 in the Council Chambers at City Hall and via remote audioconferencing. Attending Board members were: Chairperson Dave Laspa, Jerry Feith, Mike Hittner, Bruce Kluver, Lee Gossick and Jake Cattanach (alternate). Others in attendance included Kyle Kearns, Carrie Edmondson, Alderperson Dennis Polach, Irving Larson (applicant representative) and Joseph Zurfluh.

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m.

1. Approval of the report from the November 16, 2022 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting

Motion by Hittner to approve the report from the November 16, 2022 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting; second by Kluver.

Motion carried (5 – 0)

2. VARIANCE-22-001288: Kevin Keith – Public hearing and action on a request from Kevin Keith for a variance from the side yard setback to construct a fence at 331 16th Avenue North (Parcel 3402193).

Carrie Edmondson provided a summary of the request, recommending denial based on the analysis and findings in the staff report.

Public hearing opened at 2:06 p.m.

Speaking in favor:

- Joseph Zurfluh, 11841 64th St, Saratoga

- Irving Larson, 10631 52nd St, Saratoga

Speaking against: none

Public hearing closed at 2:13 p.m.

Discussions ensued between Board members, staff and the applicant's representative regarding the existence of a building permit, the permitting process and repercussions for leaving the fence in place.

Motion by Hittner to deny the request from Kevin Keith for a variance from the side yard setback to construct a fence at 331 16th Avenue North (Parcel 3402193) as no hardship exists or unique property characteristics; second by Kluver.

Motion carried (4 – 0; Gossick abstained)

3. Adjourn

Motion by Hittner to adjourn; second by Feith

Motion carried (5 – 0)

Meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Erika Esser, Secretary