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OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION'S KEY ACTIONS AND DECISIONS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2024

I. SPECIAL ISSUE MEETING SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW

The Commission conducted their August 23, 2024 Special Issue Meeting as a web-based and teleconference virtual meeting. At the August 23, 2024 meeting the Commission considered and decided on accessibility waiver applications.

II. CHAIR'S WELCOME

Chairman Bourré welcomed the Commission, DBPR staff, and the public to the August 23, 2024 Special Issue Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting of the Florida Building Commission.

The Chair stated he wished to take a moment on behalf of the Commission, to express heartfelt condolences to the family and many friends of Dr. Diana Richardson Worrall who recently passed. Diana served as the Commission's first person with disabilities representative, serving with distinction from August of 1997 – May of 2005, and again from September of 2016 – September of 2019. The Commission thanked Diana for her service to the citizens of Florida, and acknowledged her deep commitment to enhancing accessibility for all Floridians. Diana will be missed by all who knew and worked with her.

Chairman Bourré noted that the purpose of the special issue Commission meeting was to take up Accessibility Waiver Applications. The Chair reminded participants that the Commission was not able to consider the waivers during their August 13, 2024 meeting because the Accessibility Advisory Council meeting of August 5, 2024 was cancelled as a result of Hurricane Debby, and by law the Commission is required to have the Council's recommendations before considering them. The Council subsequently met on August 20, 2024 and provided their recommendations to the Commission regarding the applications.

The Chair noted, that as always the Commission would provide an opportunity for public comment on each of the Commission's substantive discussion topics. Chairman Bourré expressed that if a member of the public wishes to comment on a specific substantive Commission agenda item, they should wait until the facilitator requests public comment and stacks a list of names at the appropriate time(s) during the meeting. Participants should use the raise hand function if they want to speak. The Chair noted that public input is welcome, but should be offered before the Commission begins discussion and/or there is a motion on the floor.

III. COMMISSION ATTENDANCE

The following Commissioners participated in the August 23, 2024 meeting:

Michael Bourré (Chair), James Batts, David Brown, David Compton, Jeff Gross, Rodney Hershberger, David John, Brian Langille, Asael Marrero, Brad Schiffer, Fred Schilling, Jim Schock (Vice Chair), Brian Swope, and Tim Tolbert.

(14 of the 15 seated Commissioners attended – 93%).

Absent Commissioners:

Grey Marker.

DBPR STAFF PARTICIPATING

Alan Burke, Sabrina Evans, Jim Hammers, Mo Madani, and Justin Vogel.

MEETING FACILITATION

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IV. AGENDA REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Following are the key agenda items approved for consideration:

- To Approve Regular Procedural Topics (Meeting Minutes).
- To Consider and Decide on Applications for Waiver from Accessibility Requirements.
- To Hear Public Comment.
- To Review Next Steps and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (October 15, 2024, Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting).

Commission Action:

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 14 - 0 in favor, to approve the agenda for the August 23, 2024 Special Issue Commission meeting as presented and posted.

V. APPLICATIONS FOR WAIVERS FROM ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Justin Vogel, Accessibility Advisory Council legal advisor, presented the Accessibility Advisory Council's recommendations for the waiver applications, and the Commission reviewed and decided on the waiver application submitted for their consideration.

Commission Actions Regarding Accessibility Waiver Applications:

1. Hopkings Place LLC – Waiver 557 - 199 E Base St., Madison 32340

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 14 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor on the grounds of economic hardship.

2. Free Kids Academy of Hastings – Waiver 677 - 101 East Ashland Ave, Hastings 32145

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 14 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor on the grounds of the historical nature of the property and technical infeasibility.

3. 316 N Main St LLC – Waiver 675- 316 N Main Street, Hastings 32145

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 14 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor on the grounds of the historical nature of the property.

4. Zipiline at Haile Quarry – Waiver 681 - 3975 NW CR 235, Newberry 32669 33619

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 14 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility on the grounds that requiring vertical accessibility to all of the zipline courses would cause unnecessary and unreasonable hardship.

1943 NW 97th Avenue – Waiver 673 - 1943 NW 97th Avenue, Doral 33172

MOTION – The Commission voted unanimously, 14 – 0 in favor, to grant the waiver for vertical accessibility to the second floor on the grounds of economic hardship.

VI. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS AND ISSUES

Chair Bourré invited Commission members to offer any general comments to the Commission, or identify any issues or agenda items for the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Comments:

- There were no additional commissioner comments.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public were offered an opportunity to provide comment during each of the Commission's substantive discussion agenda items. In addition, Chair Bourré invited members of the public to address the Commission on any issues under the Commission's purview.

Public Comments:

- There were no additional public comments.

VII. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING OVERVIEW AND ASSIGNMENTS

The October 15, 2024 meeting will focus on the Commission's regular procedural and substantive issues, and any needed rule development initiatives. The October meeting will be conducted as a Web-Based and Teleconference Virtual Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair thanked Commission members, staff and the public for their participation, and adjourned the meeting at 1:17 p.m. on Friday, August 23, 2024.