

# **Canton, Georgia**

*City of Canton  
110 Academy Street  
Canton, Ga 30114*



## **Minutes - Final - Final**

**Monday, August 9, 2021**

**6:00 PM**

**Public Hearing**

**City Hall**

**Board of Zoning Appeals**

**I. Call to Order**

*Members Present: Richard Kemp  
David Johnson  
Dustin Davey  
Louis Smith  
Rajpal Sagoo  
Karen Randall  
Allison Christou*

*Staff Present: Ken Patton, Director of Community Development  
Jeff Rusbridge, City Attorney  
Steve Green, Zoning Administrator*

*Chairman Kemp called the meeting to order and explained policies and procedures of the Board of Appeals.*

**II. Approval of Minutes - Work Session - September 28, 2020**

- A. Board of Zoning Appeals Draft Minutes - September 28, 2020 - Attachment IIA

*Attachments:* [Minutes - Board of Zoning Appeals - September 28, 2020](#)

*Motion to Approve – D. Johnson  
Second – R. Sagoo  
Vote – 6-0-1 K. Randall abstaining*

**III. Approval of Minutes - Public Hearing - October 12, 2020**

- A. Board of Zoning Appeals Draft Minutes - October 12, 2020 - Attachment IIIA

*Attachments:* [Minutes - Board of Zoning Appeals - October 12, 2020](#)

*Motion to approve – R. Sagoo  
Second – D. Johnson  
Vote – 6-0-1 K. Randall abstaining*

**IV. Case VAR2107-001**

- A. 1478, 1482, 1486 Riverstone Parkway - Request to Reduce the Required River Buffer From 150' to 75', Code of Ordinance Section 107.04.00, River Corridor Protection - Mondo Land Planning and Design - Attachment IVA

*Attachments:* [VAR2107-001 Documentation](#)

*S. Green introduced the application and explained the requested variance.*

*Melissa Casteel, Mondo Land Planning presented the application and explained the need for the variance.*

*Chairman Kemp opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the request. No one came forward.*

*Numerous questions were asked by the Board concerning the river buffer, when properties were acquired, if the staff had received any public comments, who approves the landscape plan, if there would be any environmental impacts.*

*Chairman Kemp closed the public hearing.*

*K. Randall cited Ch. 105 approval standards for variances. She stated that the request does not comply with the standards. She also noted the northwest corner could be developed. She stated the applicant had not proven their case.*

*R. Sagoo asked if similar variances had been approved. K. Patton said yes.*

*L. Smith noted the owner was encumbered by several factors and that a precedent had been set.*

*D. Davey noted the project would be a benefit to the city and residents with the trail implementation.*

*Chairman Kemp asked if variances had been granted for the trail at Heritage Park. K. Patton said the DNR and BZA had approved variances around 2009 for the trail connecting Heritage and Boling Parks.*

*Motion to approve with conditions – R. Sagoo*

*Second D. Johnson*

*Vote – 6-1 K. Randall opposed*

*Variance request approved subject to the applicants Letter of Intent with the exception of non-commercial signage being allowed.*

## **V. Adjourn**

*Motion to adjourn – D. Johnson*

*Second – A. Christou*

*Vote 7-0*

*Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.*