

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CITY BEAUTIFUL CORPORATION

June 11, 2020
5:00p – 6:00p

Zoom Meeting

Board members Present:	Michael Dylan Brennan Michele Weiss Win Weizer	Susan Pardee Justin Gould Susan Drucker
Also Present:	Luke McConville Phil Ertel	Dennis Kennedy Brendan Zak

Meeting called to Order by Michael Dylan Brennan at 5:02 P.M.

Approval of May 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Drucker made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Pardee seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and Mr. Brennan, Ms. Pardee, Ms. Weiss, Mr. Gould and Ms. Drucker voted to approve the minutes. Ms. Weizer abstained from the vote.

MOTION PASSES

New Business – Discussion and Approval of Notice Provisions in Revised Code of Regulations

Mr. Gould stated that the amendments will follow other quasi-City boards (BZA, Planning) to better notify residents of new development. Mr. McConville stated that the content should be finalized before a vote is taken. Ms. Weizer stated that the noticing process needed to be revised before any other actions taken.

Ms. Drucker made a motion to table the revised Code of Regulations. Ms. Weiss seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and Mr. Brennan, Ms. Pardee, Ms. Weiss, and Ms. Drucker voted to table the revised Code of Regulations. Mr. Gould and Ms. Weiser dissented.

MOTION PASSES

Public Comments – 2603 Ashurst and South Green (PP# 721-18-012)

Mr. Brennan opened the floor to public comments regarding the B.R. Knez home developments on 2603 Ashurst and South Green (PP# 721-18-012).

Robin Gilbert; 2623 Ashurst Rd: Ms. Gilbert stated that she is unhappy with the notification process and that when the pocket park was built on the 2603 Ashurst lot the mayor and service director had multiple public meetings and allowed for public comment. Ms. Gilbert also noted that the CIC website did not reflect the June 11 meeting.

Dave Gleason; 16407 Fenway Rd, Shaker Heights: Mr. Gleason stated that the Doan Brook watershed, where 2603 Ashurst is located, is a high impervious watershed and that green infrastructure is needed. Mr. Gleason noted that the NEORSD has potential funding sources for maintenance and upkeep of the current rain garden improvement.

Mark Jones; 2604 Ashurst Rd: Mr. Jones stated that the 2603 Ashurst Rd lot is not an empty lot. Mr. Jones stated that he supports additional notification requirements and a reversal of the board's previous decision.

Erin Gibbons; 2500 Ashurst Rd: Ms. Gibbons stated that the pocket park at 2603 Ashurst Rd. is a valuable addition to the community for her and her daughter. Ms. Gibbons additionally stated that she did not receive any notification for the housing development on the 2603 Ashurst Rd. parcel.

Jordan Bray; 2648 Ashurst Rd: Mr. Bray stated that there should have been more public notice and that the 2603 Ashurst Rd. property is important as a park for his family. Mr. Bray offered to lead community-led maintenance on the property.

Phil Ertel; 2296 Miramar: Mr. Ertel stated that if the issue is deferred to council that he will vote against the development of the house on 2603 Ashurst Rd.

Terry Gilbert; 2623 Ashurst Rd: Mr. Gilbert stated that he wanted more information on the vetting process for the parcels that were selected for the B.R. Knez housing developments.

Joseph Kirsch; 2240 South Green Rd: Mr. Kirsch stated that an additional driveway on South Green Rd. at the South Green Rd. property (PP# 721-18-012) could worsen traffic conditions in the area.

Ms. Drucker stated that the lack of notification was due to an oversight of the board and the lack of a secretary at the time of the original decision by the board. Mr. Gould stated that Mr. McConville should work on removing the 2603 Ashurst Rd. property from the development agreement. Mr. McConville stated that the City and the Board did follow notification requirements and held the required public meetings at the Council and Board levels for the 2603 Ashurst Rd. property and the South Green Rd. (PP# 721-18-012) property. Mr. McConville added that there are changes being proposed at the Council and Board levels in the notification requirements for neighboring property owners for new development. Ms. Weizer stated that the issue should be reviewed by Mr. McConville and Mr. Brennan.

Mr. Gould made a motion to direct Mr. Brennan, as President, and Mr. McConville, as Legal Counsel, to make all best efforts to amend the current Development Agreement with B.R. Knez to remove the 2603 Ashurst Rd. property. Ms. Weizer seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and all voted to approve the motion.

MOTION PASSES

Other Business – South Green (PP# 721-18-012)

Ms. Drucker stated that the building department gave the South Green Rd. property (PP# 721-18-012) an address: 2241 South Green Road, University Heights, Ohio 44121.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Ms. Weizer and seconded by Ms. Drucker to adjourn the board meeting. A voice vote was taken and all voted to approve the motion.

MOTION PASSES: MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:14 P.M.