MINUTES OF THE AIRPORT BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETING

April 24, 2014
Meeting held in
City of Houston Council Chambers
City Hall Annex, 900 Bagby
6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

John Martinec, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. with a quorum present.

John Martinec Wally Huerta Christy Smidt Gary Shirley Johnny Gant

HOUSTON AIRPORT SYSTEM STAFF

Bill Zrioka Thalia Brooks Rudy Lopez

ATTORNEYS

Kim Mickelson Robert Collins

I. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Presenter: Carlos Ortiz, Board Secretary. Introduction of the items that will be considered at the meeting included the Hazard Area Ordinance Variance Request HAS 2014-HV6 submitted by Maria Esther Cervantes to construct a new single-family home at 16407 Truxton Street in the Glen Lee Place subdivision near George Bush Intercontinental Airport.

II. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MINUTES FROM MARCH 28, 2013 AIRPORT BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEETINGS

Board Action: Board members approved minutes from the March 28, 2013 meeting.

Motion: Gary Shirley Second: Christy Smidt Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None

III. PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC HEARING ON VARIANCE REQUEST HAS 2014-HV6

Presenter: Bill Zrioka, HAS Division Manager. Presentation of Variance Request HAS 2014-HV6 submitted by Maria Esther Cervantes to construct a new single-family home at 16407 Truxton Street in the Glen Lee Place subdivision near George Bush Intercontinental Airport. Board Chairman John

Martinec opened the public hearing. Applicant Maria Esther Cervantes spoke on behalf of Clever Design and Construction's request to receive a variance from the Hazard Area Ordinance in order to build a new single-family home at 16407 Truxton Street in the Glen Lee Place subdivision near George Bush Intercontinental Airport. There were no other public speakers. Board Chairman John Martinec closed the public hearing.

Motion: Wally Huerta Second: Johnny Gant Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None

IV. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON VARIANCE REQUEST NO. HAS 2014-HV6

Board Member Christy Smidt asked if the surrounding buildings near the applicant's site seen on an aerial map provided to the board for locational orientation purposes were similar to the structure proposed by the applicant. Houston Airport System staff member Bill Zrioka responded that structures in the Glen Lee Place subdivision are overwhelmingly single-family residential homes and similar in height to what the applicant proposes to build.

Board Member Johnny Gant asked if the residents of Glen Lee Place subdivision were advised that the 2005-2006 George Bush Intercontinental Airport Master Plan proposed the 9R-27L Runway and associated taxiways in very close proximity to the subdivision. Houston Airport System staff member Bill Zrioka responded that several public meetings were held in 2006 in and near the Glen Lee Place subdivision providing residents an opportunity to view and study the master plan alternatives along with a forum to ask questions and offer comments. Board Member Gant also asked if the runway were to be built that residents of the Glen Lee Place subdivision would be moved. Staff member Zrioka responded that if the proposed runway were to be built, residents of both the Glen Lee Place subdivision and Heather Ridge Estates subdivision directly across Reinhardt Bayou would be relocated under the 1970 Federal Uniform Act and that a similar relocation of a subdivision took place several years earlier when residents of the Greenview Manor subdivision on the southwest corner of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport were moved when the existing 15R-33L Runway was extended.

Board Secretary Carlos Ortiz added that a new George Bush Intercontinental Airport master plan update is due to be released in the near future.

Board Action: Board members approved the variance request for HAS 2014-HV6.

Motion: Gary Shirley Second: Johnny Gant Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None

I. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, Board Chairman John Martinec adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Motion: Christy Smidt Second: Wally Huerta Vote: Unanimous Abstaining: None

MINUTES APPROVED ON

John Martinec, Board Chair Carlos Ortiz, Board Secretary