Development Review Committee (DRC) - Minutes

Date Thursday, October 14, 2021

Time: 10:00 am

Location: City Council Chambers

First Floor, City Hall, 5919 Main Street, New Port Richey, FL 34652

Members Present: Barret Doe, Lisa Algiere, Chris Bowman, Sara Mastison, Adam Darling, Eric Jay, Debbie Manns

Review

1. Case: Concept Plan

Property Owner: Lighthouse Baptist Church Property Location: 6016 Delaware Avenue

Request: Grass Parking Proposed Use: Church

The applicant presented a concept plan to include paved parking and grass parking for a total of 43 spaces. The applicant was informed that grass parking is not permitted and that all parking spaces must be paved. In order to meet impervious surface ratios, the number of parking spaces can be reduced to 38 if necessary and still meet the required number of spaces.

2. Case: Variance

Property Owner: Michelle Sorensen Property Location: 6345 Grand Boulevard

Request: Fence for Sidewalk Cafe Proposed Use: Outdoor Dining

The applicant is proposing to utilize concrete benches as part of the fence material for a sidewalk café. Wrought iron picket fencing will be the other material. DRC has previously approved the concrete benches and recommends using the benches as part of the fence.

3. Case: Conditional Use

Property Owner: New Port Richey Hotel Group, LLC

Property Location: 6218 US Highway 19

Request: Allow a hotel to be developed in Highway Commercial district

Proposed Use: Hotel

The applicant is proposing to construct a hotel in the Highway Commercial District. A conditional use is required for hotels. DRC discussed the merits of a hotel next to the new Keiser building and recommends approval of the conditional use permit since it will enhance the revitalization of the Downtown and U.S. Highway 19.