



Minutes of the Board of Adjustment REGULAR MEETING November 20, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Adjustment, of the City of Tempe, which was held in Council Chambers
31 East Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona

Present:

Staff:

Chair Kevin Morrow	Jeff Tamulevich, Community Development Director
Board Member Rickey Lynn Gans	Ryan Levesque, Deputy Director Comm Dev
Board Member Michael McCaffrey	Matt Mansfield, Assistant City Attorney
Board Member Raun Keagy	Diana Kaminski, Comm Dev Principal Planner
Board Member Miller	Whitney Mayfield, Planner II
Board Member Sean McCarley	Jennifer Daniels, Administrative Assistant II
Board Member Foy	Jason Wolf, Media

Meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. and was called to order by Chair Morrow.

1) Voting of the Meeting Minutes:

Study Session & Formal Meeting Minutes from October 30, 2024.

Motion by Board Member Keagy to approve Meeting Minutes from Study Session and Regular Meeting October 30, 2024; second by Board Member McCaffrey. Motion passed on **5-0** vote.

Ayes: Chair Morrow, Board Members McCaffrey, Keagy, McCarley and Foy

Nays: None

Abstain: Board Members Gans and Miller

Absent: Vice Chair Palmer

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- 2) Request a Variance to reduce the required front yard building setback from 15 feet to 1 foot and a variance to reduce the required side yard setback from 5 feet to 3 feet to allow a detached shade structure for **ROTHERMEL SHADE STRUCTURE**, located at 509 West 15th Street. The applicant is Freda Rothermel. (PL240232)**

Applicant Presentation:

Ms. Freda Rothermel, homeowner, gave a presentation. Ms. Rothermel has lived in the home since 1991. Her husband purchased the home in 1980. In the 40 years of home ownership, we have always tried to enhance our property. We include form, beauty and connectivity with our neighbors as we design. Last summer we added a front yard shade structure. We placed the shade structure over the existing driveway. The front posts are past the driveway by two feet. That is why we need the variance.

Staff Presentation:

Ms. Whitney Mayfield, Planner II Community Development, gave a staff presentation. Many of the homes in this neighborhood have ten feet of the property in the right of way. It reduces the amount of space they have to build a structure. There are two other variances that were approved in this neighborhood with similar requests to reduce the setback to allow structures in the front yard. Due to having 10 feet of the property in the right of way this does not make the front yard setback self-imposed.

Public Comment:

None

Applicant Response:

None

Staff Response:

None

Commission Discussion:

None

Chair Morrow called for a motion.

Motion by Board Member Miller to approve the variance to reduce the required front yard building setback from 15 feet to 1 foot and a variance to reduce the required side yard setback from 5 feet to 3 feet to allow a detached shade structure for **ROTHERMEL SHADE STRUCTURE** with conditions as specified., located at 509 West 15th Street; second by Board Member Gans. Motion passed on **7-0** vote.

Ayes: Chair Morrow, Board Members Gans, McCaffrey, Keagy, Miller, McCarley and Foy

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Vice Chair Palmer

3) Chair/Staff Announcements

Chair Morrow stated there is no December meeting. The next meeting will be January 22nd.

4) Adjourn

Motion by Board Member Miller to adjourn meeting; second by Board Member McCaffrey. Motion passed on **7-0** vote.

Ayes: Chair Morrow, Board Members Gans, McCaffrey, Keagy, Miller, McCarley and Foy

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Vice Chair Palmer

Hearing adjourned at 6:16PM