

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 330 CITY HALL
ST PAUL, MINNESOTA, MARCH 7, 2011

Continued from February 7, 2011

PRESENT: Mmes. Maddox, Bogen, Linden and Morton; Messrs. Courtney, Ward, and Wilson of the Board of Zoning Appeals; Mr. Warner, City Attorney; Mr. Diatta and Ms. Crippen of the Department of Safety and Inspections.

ABSENT: None

The meeting was chaired by Joyce Maddox, Chair.

Tuan J Pham (#11-007586) 231 Isabel Street West: A variance of the River Corridor setback standards in order to allow an existing statue structure in the rear yard on the bluff side of the property to remain. A setback of 40 feet from the bluffline is required and 10 feet is existing for a variance of 30 feet.

Ms. Maddox stated that we received a letter from WSCO stating that they did not make any formal recommendation on the matter. However, WSCO did state that they discussed the potential long-term implications of granting the variance request on the bluff line. WSCO acknowledged that while it appears that many of the neighbors appreciated Mr. Pham's efforts to beautify the community, the committee was concerned that granting the variance would set a precedent, resulting in the gradual erosion of the enforcement of the zoning code. Ms. Moddcox stated so while WSCO did say that, they did not make a formal recommendation.

The applicant **TUAN J. PHAM**, 231 Isabel Street West, was not present. Ms. Maddox waited a few extra minutes, before calling the hearing to order, to see if the applicant was just running late.

Hearing no further testimony, Ms. Maddox closed the public portion of the meeting.

Ms. Bogen moved to deny the variance and resolution based on findings 1 through 3.

Ms. Morton seconded the motion, which passed on a roll call vote of 7-0.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

YaYa Diatta

Gloria Bogen, Secretary