



City of Santa Barbara

BUILDING AND FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES FEBRUARY 6, 2020

2:30 P.M.
David Gebhard Public Meeting Room
630 Garden Street
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BOARD MEMBERS:

Paul Spieler, Chair
Jose Barajas
Jeff Hornbuckle
Nick Koonce
James Langhorne
John Maloney
James Marston

STAFF:

Andrew Stuffer, Chief Building Official
Joe Poire, Fire Prevention Division Chief
Greta Walters, Executive Assistant

Note: These minutes are a summary of the meeting; an audio recording of this meeting is available at <https://www.santabarbaraca.gov/gov/brdcomm/ac/bfcba/audio.asp>

CALL TO ORDER

The Full Board meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Chair Spieler.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Barajas, Hornbuckle, Langhorne, Marston, and Spieler

Members absent: Koonce, Maloney

Staff present: Chief Building Official Andrew Stuffer
Building Inspection/Plan Check Supervisor Tim Dunn
Executive Assistant Greta Walters

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Public Comment:

The meeting opened for public comment at 2:30 p.m. No one chose to speak, so the chair closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

B. Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Approve the minutes of the Building and Fire Code Board of appeals meeting of **December 5, 2019**, as submitted.

Action: Marston / Langhorne 5/0/0. Motion carried.

NOTE: Agenda schedule is subject to change as cancellations occur.

- C. Announcements, requests by applicants for continuances and withdrawals, future agenda items, and appeals:
1. Mr. Stuffer announced the following:
 - a. CBO Stuffer asked the Board to stay mindful of the time since another group had reserved the room for a meeting following the Board of Appeals meeting.
 - b. Mr. Stuffer reminded members to use their microphones whenever speaking.

101 S. Quarantina Street – Appeal of Notice of Violation – Unpermitted Alterations to a Nonresidential Building

Speakers:

- Staff: Chief Building Official Andrew Stuffer, Building Inspection/Plan Check Supervisor Tim Dunn
- Cindy Macey, co-owner of 101 S. Quarantina; Kim Cochran, Ron Glover of Fishbon (tenant organization)

Discussion: Staff member Tim Dunn described and provided photos of work done at the subject property without approvals, permits, or inspections. He responded to questions from the Board members.

Co-owner Cindy Macy noted that she was working on abatements to comply with code. Ms. Macy and Kim Cochran responded to questions from the Board members.

Public comment opened at 3:32 p.m.

Mr. Glover, President of Fishobon, stated to the Board that they have complied with directives every time the Fire Department has inspected the space.

Public comment closed at 3:33 p.m.

Motion: Jeff Hornbuckle made a motion to uphold the decision of the Building Department, deny the appeal, and ask the building owner to work with Building Department to permit plans submitted for tenant improvement. Upon completion of that work, inspections must take place to abate the violations. The motion was seconded by Jose Barajas.

Findings: Member Hornbuckle stated that he made this motion because the building owner is working in good faith to resolve the issues in the enforcement case, based upon their submittal of a tenant improvement application to the Building Department.

Action: Vote: 5/0/0. Motion carried.

Motion: James Langhorne made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jeff Hornbuckle.

Action: Vote 5/0/0. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.