

VILLAGE OF RIVERSIDE

GARAGES AND DRIVEWAYS AD HOC COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2020

Riverside Library, 1 Burling Road, Riverside, Illinois

1. Call to Order.
Chairperson Kaplan called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
2. Roll Call.
Present: Chairperson Kaplan and Committee Members Lumsden, Pipal, Abby Randall, Greg Randall
Absent: Committee Member Foley
Also Present: Staff Liaison Bailey
3. Consider approval of November 13, 2019, Committee meeting minutes.
Motion Committee Member Abby Randall. Second Committee Member Greg Randall. CARRIED.
To approve the November 13, 2019 meeting minutes as presented.
4. Discussion and recommendation regarding Driveway Widths and Incentives/Bonuses – Garages.
The Committee resumed its discussion regarding Municipal Code modifications and zoning text amendments recommendations made by Village staff in a March 7, 2019, report to the Village Board of Trustees. Two remaining staff recommendations were before the Committee –
Driveway Widths and Incentives/Bonuses-Garages.

Driveway Widths

Currently the Zoning Ordinance allows driveways for front-loaded garages to be as wide as the garage they serve. Both the Planning and Zoning Commission and Preservation Commission had concerns about the amount of pavement that resulted in the front yard and parkways. The Planning and Zoning Commission had recommended that the driveway only be allowed as wide as the garage for 15 feet before tapering to 10 feet within 25 feet of the face of the garage. There was concern expressed that 15 feet would not allow a vehicle to maneuver around an adjacent vehicle parked in the driveway. Village staff recommended that driveways be allowed that equal the width of the garage for 20 feet from the face of the garage before tapering back to 10 feet within 30 feet of the face of the garage (or by the front property line whichever occurs first).

Motion Committee Member Abby Randall. Second Committee Member Pipal. CARRIED. To concur with the staff recommendation except to eliminate the reference to the taper alternative “by the front property line whichever occurs first”.

Incentives/Bonuses – Garages

Currently the Zoning Ordinance encourages certain design standards for garages but these standards are not mandatory. The staff recommendation, which included some examples, was to include a cafeteria plan in the Zoning Ordinance for bonuses or bulk forgiveness to incentivize more desired or preferred garage design choices.

Motion Committee Member Abby Randall. Second Committee Member Pipal. CARRIED. To concur with the staff recommendation to include Incentives or Bonuses in the Zoning Ordinance and that the cafeteria plan should emphasize bonuses for permeable surfaces, green space and trees.

5. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

6. Adjournment.

Motion Committee Member Pipal. Second Committee Member Greg Randall. CARRIED. To adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes Taken By:

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