



**Village of El Portal
Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting
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Councilperson Martin: All right. Good evening, everyone. Calling to order the Planning and Zoning Meeting for Tuesday, December 13th, 2022. The time now is 06:47. I thank you guys all for joining us this evening. I am Darian Martin, your chair. I'll go ahead and jump right into things with the silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

[silence]

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. All right, madam clerk, may I please have the roll call?

Village Clerk Yenise: Chair Martin?

Councilperson Martin: Present.

Village Clerk Yenise: Vice Chair Pirela?

Councilperson Luis: Here.

Village Clerk Yenise: Member Urbom is not here. Member Nickerson?

Mayor Omarr: Here.

Village Clerk Yenise: Member Lightfoot-Ward is not here. Present for the record Yenise Jacobi, Village Clerk. The Village Manager is not here yet and Attorney Geller is not here yet. You have a quorum.

Councilperson Martin: All right, thank you so much. We'll move on to subject Section D. Approval of the agenda. May I have a motion to approve the agenda?

Councilperson Luis: Motion to approve, Madam Chair.

Councilperson Martin: All in favor say aye.

Mayor Omarr: I'll second.

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Councilperson Martin: Oh, you'll second. Sorry. Pardon me. I'm a little rusty guys. All in favor say aye?

Councilmembers: Aye.

Councilperson Martin: Any opposed? All right, it looks like that motion passes. We'll move on to approval of the minutes. Do I have a motion to approve the minutes for the October 25th, 2022, Planning and Zoning Committee meeting?

Mayor Omarr: I'll make a motion to approve the minutes, Madam Chair.

Councilperson Martin: Do you have a second?

Vice Mayor Pirela: Yes, I second.

Councilperson Martin: Oh, perfect. Second by Vice Mayor Pirela. All in favor say aye.

Councilmembers: Aye.

Councilperson Martin: Any opposed? Great. We'll move on to good and welfare. This is a part of the evening where you can-- by you, I mean members of the audience can come up to the podium and speak on any of the items that will appear on tonight's agenda. Please make sure when you step up to the podium that you state your name and address for the record. Do I have anyone for good and welfare? All right, looking like there is none. We're going to move on to G1 but I do have a question. Madam Clerk, we need everyone sworn in that's going to be participating. Correct?

Village Clerk Yenise: That is for the second hearing.

Councilperson Martin: That's for the second hearing?

Village Clerk Yenise: Yes.

Councilperson Martin: Okay, perfect. All right. Can I have Camila come up to the podium and also the representative for 160 Northeast 89th Street? You can head to

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this podium. Make sure you state your name and address for the record. Can you state your name and address for me, please? Yes, yes.

Asher Serdon: My name is Asher Serdon. I live at 160 Northeast 89th Street.

Councilperson Martin: Then, Camila, can you give us a staff report on this item?

Camila: Yes. Good evening, committee members. This variance application is for the conversion of an existing one-car garage for use as living space at the residence with address 160 Northeast 89th Street. The garage is part of the main building. It's located in the northwest corner of the house fronting Northeast 89th Street. The garage floor slab will be raised to be flush with the main building's floor.

The garage door will be replaced with a CMU block and windows consistent with the existing windows on the facade on the opposite side. There is space to park two vehicles within the paved driveway and the driveway approaching the front yard complying with those zoning requirements for zone three.

[background conversation]

Councilperson Martin: The clerk will just head back. Let him know.

Village Clerk Yenise: Thank you so much. Go ahead, Camila.

Camila: The applicant shows good cause for this garage conversion. Therefore, planning consultant staff recommends approval for this application.

Councilperson Martin: Awesome. You guys recommend approval? Let me first open it up to the council to see whether or not they have any questions on this item. Concerns? All right. No? Members of the audience, does anyone have a question or concern or comment on this item?

All right, hearing none. Do I have a motion to go ahead and accept the staff's recommendation to approve this item?

Mayor Omarr: Motion to approve. Madam Chair, I also want to make note that Committee Member Lightfoot-Ward has joined us also.

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Councilperson Martin: Very good note. You've made the motion. Do we have a second?

Councilmember Luis: I'll second.

Councilperson Martin: Perfect. Madam clerk, can I have the roll?

Village Clerk Yenise: Roll call. Member Nickerson.

Mayor Omarr: Here. Yes.

Village Clerk Yenise: Member Lightfoot-Ward.

Councilmember Dr. Lightfoot-Ward: Yes.

Village Clerk Yenise: Vice Chair Pirela.

Councilmember Luis: Yes.

Village Clerk Yenise: Chair Martin.

Councilperson Martin: Yes

Village Clerk Yenise: Motion passes four to none.

Councilperson Martin: All right. Congratulations.

Village Clerk Yenise: Congratulations--

[crosstalk]

Councilperson Martin: I'm sure it will be a great addition.

Village Clerk Yenise: Congratulations on your [unintelligible 00:05:19].

Councilperson Martin: [laughs] No worries. Painless. Quick and painless. We're moving on to Subsection H, which is another good and welfare. Another opportunity to step up to the podium and let us know how you're feeling about things that appear

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on the agenda. Not just things in general. Does anyone else have an item for the good and welfare? Hearing none, do I have a motion to adjourn?

Speaker 1: [unintelligible 00:05:44]

Mayor Omarr: I'll second that, Madam Chair.

Councilperson Martin: Okay. A motion and a second. All in favor say aye.

Councilmembers: Aye.

Councilperson Martin: Any opposed? All right. Meeting adjourned at 06:53 PM.

[00:05:59] [END OF AUDIO]

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