NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS (ZONING)

NOTE: One or more members of the City of South Padre Island City Council may attend this meeting; if so, this statement satisfies the requirements of the OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS (ZONING) OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, WILL HOLD A <u>REGULAR</u> MEETING ON:

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017 9:00 A.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR 4601 PADRE BOULEVARD, SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Public Comments and Announcements: This is an opportunity for citizens to speak to the Board relating to agenda or non-agenda items. Speakers are required to address the Board at the podium and give their name before addressing their concerns. [Note: State law will not permit the Board of Adjustments & Appeals (Zoning) to discuss, debate or consider items that are not on the agenda. Citizen Comments may be referred to City Staff or may be placed on the agenda of a future Board of Adjustments & Appeals (Zoning) meeting]
- 4. Approval of Minutes of the December 1, 2015 Regular Meeting.
- 5. Discussion and action regarding a variance from screening requirements for utility equipment in Table 5.2 Use Criteria of Sec.20-8.1 Appendix "Z" Padre Boulevard and Entertainment District Code.
- 6. Adjourn

DATED THIS THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH 2017

Susan Hill, City Secretary

I, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS (ZONING) OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE AND THAT I POSTED A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT CITY HALL/MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON **MARCH 31, 2017** AT/OR BEFORE **9:00** AM AND REMAINED SO POSTED CONTINUOUSLY FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID MEETING.

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Susan Hill, City Secretary

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE, AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT BUILDING OFFICIAL DAVID TRAVIS; ADA DESIGNATED RESPONSIBLE PARTY AT (956) 761-8103.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS (ZONING) MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 1, 2015

1. Call to Order.

Paul Fedigan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers on the Second Floor of the Municipal Complex Building: 4601 Padre Boulevard and declared a quorum of members present. Board Members in attendance were: Jerry Pace, Paul Fedigan, Austin "Mike" Morgan, Carol Bolstad, and Chris Huffman. Staff Members present were Development Director Sungman Kim, Building Official Jay Mitchim, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, and Marta Martinez.

2. <u>Pledge of Allegiance.</u>

Mr. Fedigan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public comments and Announcements.

None

4. <u>Approval of Minutes of the September 1, 2015 Regular Meeting.</u>

Mr. Fedigan announced the item from the agenda and asked the Board members if they had any corrections to the September 1, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Ms. Bolstad made a motion to approve as submitted. Mr. Pace seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. <u>Discussion and action regarding a variance from Sec. 20-7.1 (D) (3) rear yard setback</u> requirement (20') to allow a spiral slide from the 2nd story deck into the pool, on Lot 2, Block 4, Hass Subdivision.

Mr. Fedigan announced the item from the agenda and asked for a staff report. Dr. Kim gave a brief presentation; staff recommends the Board approve the variance request.

Mr. Fedigan then opened it up for discussion by the Board. The Board expressed their comments/concerns regarding this matter. After some discussion Mr. Pace made a motion to approve the variance request. Ms. Bolstad seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Adjourn

Since the Board had no further business to discuss, Mr. Fedigan adjourned the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Marta Martinez, Secretary

Paul Fedigan, Chairman

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 4, 2017

ITEM: 5

SPONSOR / ORIGINATOR: Skipjack Properties LLC

TO: Board of Adjustment

FROM: Sungman Kim, Director of Development Services

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Discussion and action regarding a variance from screening requirements for utility equipment in Table 5.2 Use Criteria of Sec.20-8.1 Appendix "Z" Padre Boulevard and Entertainment District Code.

DISCUSSION:

The Location

211 W. Swordfish Street (Tract IX, Lot 1, Block 51 & 52, Padre Beach, Section IV & V).

The Request

The owner wants a variance from the screening requirements for the exterior above-ground fuel tank (6,000 gallon concrete finish convault).

The Issue

1. Table 5.2 Use Criteria of the Padre Boulevard and Entertainment District requires utility equipment be screened with a Street Screen at least as high as the equipment being screened.

<u>Hardship</u>

- 1. According to the survey prepared by Halff Associate, the convault is approximately 9-foot tall;
- 2. Sec.20-11(A)(1) restricts the height of a fence, wall or other screening structure to be lower than six (6) feet in height;
- 3. Screening of 9-foot height cannot be achieved by a regular planting practice.

The Proposed Alternative Plan

- 1. On March 14, 2017, the Development Standard Review Task Force approved an application of paintings (mural; art in public space) to the convault making it look like a large aquarium;
- 2. The paintings show full of sea life and 'Diver Jim' in honor of the long history of Jims Pier, attracting families to the island and promoting sport fishing in the community;
- 3. Decorative plantings will be provided to the area around the convault.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS / COMMENTS:

Staff recommends the Board approve the variance request because the proposed plan demonstrates hardship and provides alternative measure addressing local aesthetics.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AGENDA REQUEST FORM

COMMISSION ACTION:

MOTION: _____

BY:			SECOND BY:				
Bolstad	Fedigan	Huffman	Pace	Teniente	Mahan	Morgan	Trevino
Yes No Abstain							

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PADRE BOULEVARD AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT CODE

	Table 5.2 – Use Criteria			
Use	Location & Design Criteria			
Non-Residential Uses				
Auto-related Sales and Service	 The building design shall conform to the requirements of the Padre Boulevard and Entertainment District Design Guidelines. Accessory structures, including canopies, kiosks, and car wash buildings, shall conform to or compliment the project architectural theme. This include similar roof styles, column types, materials, textures, and colors. Service bays and car wash tunnel openings shall be oriented away from street view and screened from adjacent sites. If service bays and car wash openings toward street view are necessary, dense landscaping and/or architectural treatments shall be provided to screen and/or mitigate unattractive views and features from the street. Cross access connection shall be required for a mechanic shop to achieve a better screening. Building colors should emphasize earth tones. The use of highly reflective or glossy materials should be limited and will not be appropriate in al contexts. Such uses shall be designed so as to mitigate any negative impact on residential uses, including orientation and buffers. Where adjacent to residential zoning or residential uses, self-service or automatic car washes shall have sound attenuation devices, such as doors or screen walls, located at the entrances and/or exits of the car wash. All equipment within car wash tunnels shall be contained within the building. All vehicles under repair and equipment within repair bays shall be contained within the building and shall not be visible from outside. Canopy lighting shall be recessed and flux within sunderside (ceiling). Full-service car washes shall provide shaded plazas and/or indoor waiting areas for customers. Gas pumps, canopies, and/or service bays shall not be located along any Pedestrian Priority Street frontage. Any buildings associated with the use shall also have a pedestrian entrance at a Pedestrian Priority Street and/or the Bou			
Any permitted use with a drive through facility	 No outdoor storage of vehicles or other products sold shall be permitted. All auto-related sales display shall be inside storefronts. All drive through access (driveways) shall be from a street with a higher hierarchy. Drive through lanes and/or canopies shall not have frontage along any Pedestrian Priority Streets. 			
Residential Uses				
Multi-family residential Ground Floor	Ail ground floors along all Pedestrian Priority and Boulevard Frontages shall be built to Commercial Ready standards. Ground floors may be occupied by residential uses.			
Other Uses				
Publishing (newspaper, books, periodicals, software) Motion Picture and sound recording Telecommunications and broadcasting (radio, TV, cable, wireless communications, telephone, etc) Information	Shall only be permitted on the upper floors of buildings			
Parking, surface (primary use of property)	 Shall be permitted as an interim use of property (3 year increments) New surface parking shall be set back a minimum of 30' from the edge of the right-of-way of Pedestrian Priority Streets. New surface parking shall not be located at a street intersection for minimum of 30' along each street. 			
Sales from Kiosks	 Kiosks shall only be permitted on civic/open spaces. Kiosks shall be no larger than 150 sq.ft. in area and no taller than 18' in height. Kiosk locations shall not impede pedestrian pathways or entrances to buildings Kiosks from which merchandise or food is sold shall be attended when open for business. Kiosks shall be constructed of similar materials or given a similar finish as adjacent buildings. 			

5.2 Use Criteria: All uses listed as P/C in Table 5.1 shall also meet the following standards in Table 5.2

PADRE BOULEVARD AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT CODE

City of South Padre Island

	Table 5.2 – Use Criteria				
Use	Location & Design Criteria				
	 All sides of a kiosk shall have a finished look with no externally visible utility equipment. 				
Community Garden	Shall be no larger than 0.5 acres				
	 Gardens shall be enclosed by a fence on all open sides. 				
	 Fences should be installed straight and plumb, with vertical supports at a minimum of 8' on center. Chicken wire, if used, should be continuously supported along all edges. 				
	Fencing Materials:				
	o Permitted: pressure treated wood (must be painted or stained medium to dark color), chicken wire, wrought iron, painted galvanized steel				
	 <u>Not permitted</u>: chain link, bobbed wire, vinyl, un-painted/stained pressure treated wood, plywood 				
Antennas including cell, accessory	 Antennas shall be permitted on rooftops. 				
and mounted	 Antennas shall be screened entirely with a screen of same color as the principal building. 				
(Excluded from this category are	 Antennas shall not be visible from adjacent Pedestrian Priority Street. 				
freestanding and commercial antennas and equipment buildings)					
Rain water harvesting equipment	Rain water harvesting equipment may not be installed along Pedestrian Priority Streets.				
0-1-1	 On all other frontages, they shall be screened with a Street Screen at least as high as the equipment being screened. 				
Utility equipment (includes electrical	Utility equipment shall not be installed with frontage on Pedestrian Priority Streets.				
transformers, gas meters, etc)	 On all other frontages, they shall be screened with a Street Screen at least as high as the equipment being screened. 				
Commercial Parking	 New surface parking shall be set back a minimum of 30' from the edge of the right-of-way of Pedestrian Priority Streets. 				
	 New surface parking shall not be located at a street intersection for minimum of 30' along each street. 				
	 Commercial parking shall not be allowed along any pedestrian priority street frontage. 				

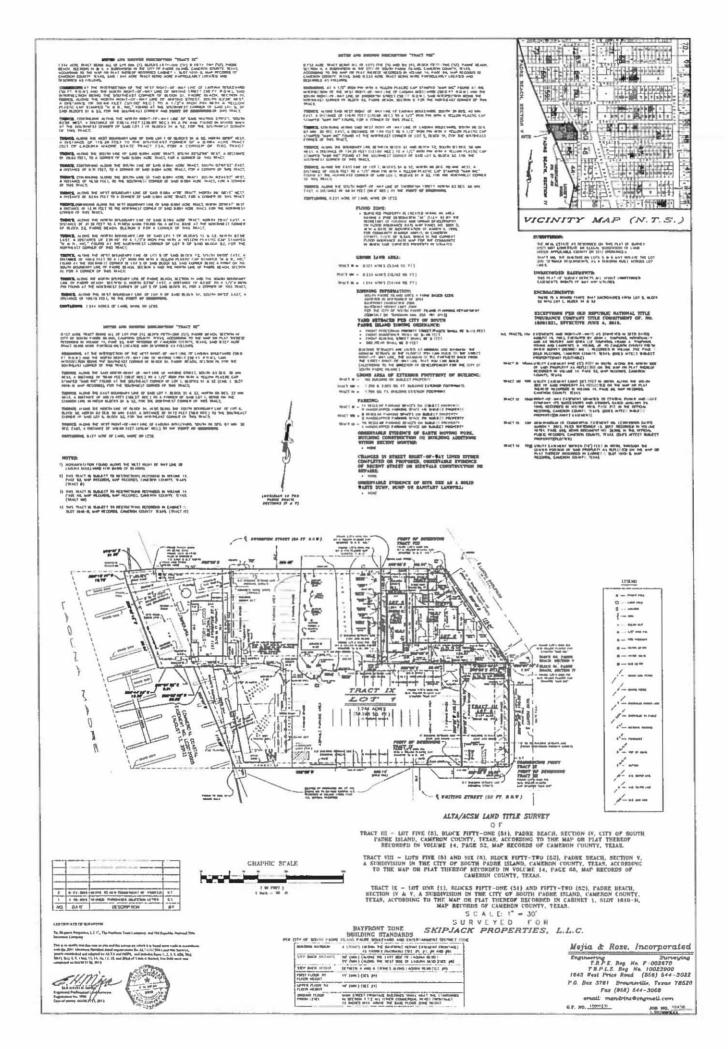
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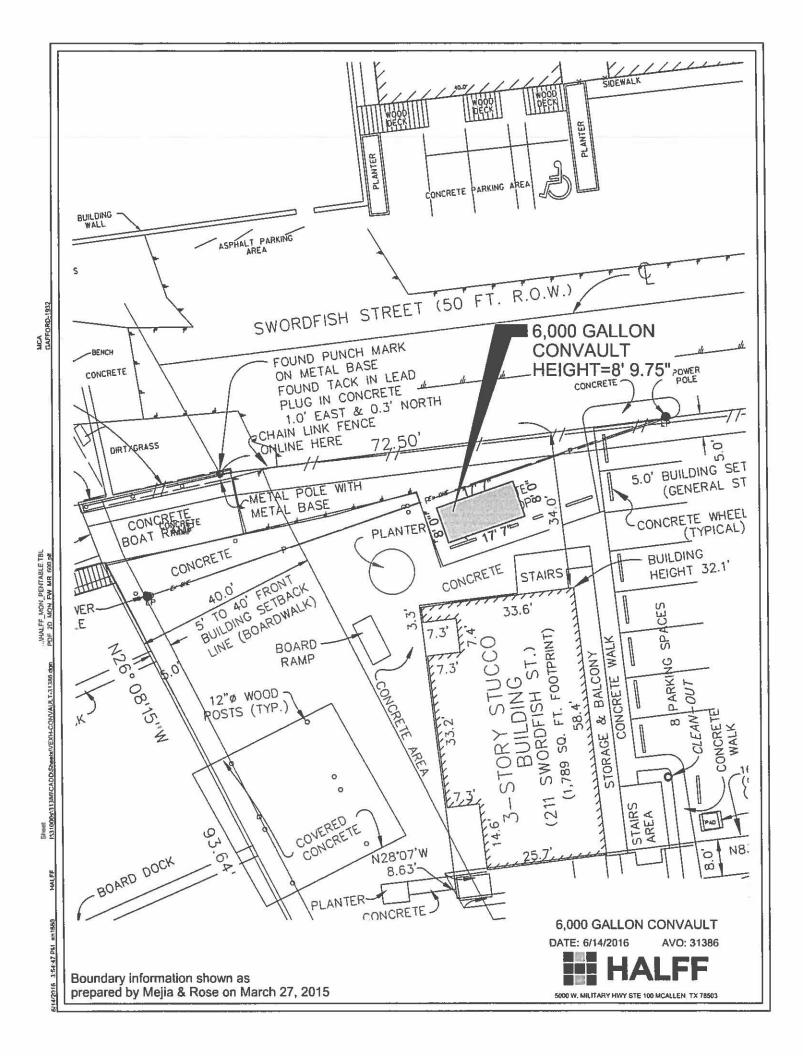
SPI TRANSIT & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT & APPEALS APPLICATION

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APPLICANT INFORMATION	OWNER INFORMATION					
NameSkipjack Properties LLC	NameSkipjack Properties LLC					
Mailing Address 211 W Swordfish	Mailing address 1900 N Akard Street					
City, State, ZipSouth Padre Island, Texas, 78597	City, State, Zip Dallas, Texas, 75201					
Phone number956 739 3510	Phone number 956 739 3510					
Fax number	Fax number					
E-mail Address PCurtin@HuntOil.com	E-mail Address PCurtin@HuntOil.Com					
SITE LOCATION FOR REQUEST:						
Physical Address (Street Name & Number):	211 W Swordfish					
Legal Description (Lot / Block / Subdivision):Tract IX, Lot 1	, Block 51 & 52, Section 4 & 5, Subd: Padre Beach					
I hereby request the following from the Board of Adjustment and Appeals:						
 In addition, the application requires the submission of the following: \$250 application fee per variance or special exception request. \$ Stamped/Sealed & dated survey of Improvements of the Subject Property. \$ Copy of Floor Plan of structure proposed to be constructed or expanded. \$ Current/recent photographs of the site. \$ And any additional information to more clearly understand the request. 						
Note: Applicants are required to fully disclose in the application all information that is necessary for the various bodies to make their determination prior to issuance of any permit. At a minimum, an application for a variance or Special Exception shall contain ten (10) copies of the information outlined above. All information must be submitted no later than twenty (20) days prior to the meeting date. All fees must be paid prior to the Board reviewing the application.						
If Staff determines that the application is incorrect, incomplete, illegible, or in any way inadequate to insure the complete understanding of the variance or special exception, staff shall return the application to the applicant.						
Applicant's Signature: Jan lunk	Owner's Name (Please Print): Paul J Curtin (Auth. Rep)					
Date: March 10, 2017	Date: March 10, 2017					





<u>Condition #1</u> <u>The granting of this variance will not be contrary to the public interest.</u>

The mural is intended to be <u>in</u> the public interest by adding art pieces for visiting families to view and enjoy. The Design Review Task Force has reviewed the proposal to be 'Public Art'.

Condition #2

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The literal enforcement of the ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship

The hardship is caused by the property itself – it is unusually tall and large. Physical conditions did not allow for it to be placed underground (water table is less than 2 feet).

Vegetation screening will take some years to reach the height of 10 to 12 feet to shield the tank. Fencing will be as unsightly as the painted tank over time and City code maximum height for fencing is 7 feet.

Condition #3

By granting the variance, the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and substantial justice will be done.

The spirit of the ordinance is served by converting the tank surface into an artists canvas to create a vibrant three dimensional aquarium mural full of sea life found at South Padre Island and 'Diver Jim' – in honor of the long history of Jims Pier attracting families to the island and promoting sport fishing in our community.

