

710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE

DEER PARK, TEXAS 77536

Minutes

of

A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, HELD AT CITY HALL, 710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET, JANUARY 7, 2019 AT 6:20 P.M. ON THE REQUEST FROM DR. ALBERT & MARCELIA ANDERSON FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A CHURCH FACILITY AT 4526 GLENWOOD AVENUE, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

DON TIPPIT	CHAIRMAN
RAY BALUSEK	COMMISSIONER
DOUGLAS COX	COMMISSIONER
STAN GARRETT	COMMISSIONER
DANIELLE WENDEBURG	COMMISSIONER

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE:

SHANNON BENNETT	CITY SECRETARY
LARRY BROTHERTON	BUILDING OFFICIAL

1. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - The public hearing was opened by the City Secretary reading the Notice of Public Hearing. (Exhibit A)
2. RECESS/RECONVENED – Chairman Tippit recessed the preliminary public hearing at 6:20 p.m. to continue with the 6:15 p.m. preliminary public hearing and reconvened at 6:40 p.m.
3. HEARING OPENED FOR THOSE PERSONS DESIRING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE REQUEST - Chairman Tippit opened the hearing for those persons desiring to speak in favor of the request.
  - a. Marcellia Anderson of Breath of Life, 4526 Glenwood Avenue, commented, “Thank you all for having us here today. Thank you Larry Brotherton for your assistance in making sure we had all our paperwork in and on time. Breath of Life International Ministries is a church that came into existence over ten years ago. Up until now, we have been in Friendswood Texas. As our ministry has grown, so has the need for more community outreach and our desire to impact the community. We began looking for land to build on or building and land, whatever combination could fit our particular needs. Last year we became aware that the property at 4526 Glenwood Avenue was available and for sale. This was the location of the Glenwood Baptist Church under Dr. Paul McWhorter. We took the steps to acquire the building once we toured the facility and saw the parcel of land and building would meet our needs. This was done on Tuesday October 30, 2018. We are requesting a Specific Use Permit before this Commission to operate as a church.

We have our weekly services that are bible studies as well as worship service. We would also like to have community outreach programs for those that are in need and have meetings to provide awareness to the community about wellness and health. We are excited about the opportunity to be in Deer Park. So far, everyone that we have come into contact with has been so welcoming to us. We would love for you to consider passing this to City Council with your recommendation that we acquire the Specific Use Permit.”

Commissioner Wendeburg commented, “I just want to say “Congratulations” on the purchase of the building. It is going to be a nice church.”

Commissioner Balusek asked, “Is the congregation you have still in Friendswood at this time?”

Mrs. Anderson responded, “We have been meeting at school and retail locations. What we have done to keep our hands on everyone who is part of the congregation is bring them over just to have some contact with them. We have moved our things into the building, but have not unpacked to occupy the building until we finish this process.”

4. HEARING OPENED FOR THOSE PERSONS DESIRING TO SPEAK AGAINST THE REQUEST – Chairman Tippit opened the hearing for those persons desiring to speak against the request. No one spoke.
4. HEARING CLOSED – Chairman Tippit closed the public hearing at 6:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Shannon Bennett, TRMC  
City Secretary

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Don Tippit, Chairman  
Planning & Zoning Commission