

Planning Commission Meeting
July 31, 2013
Verbatim Excerpt

RZ/FDP 2011-HM-032 – TYSONS WEST RESIDENTIAL, LLC AND JBG/TYSONS HOTEL, LLC

After Close of the Public Hearing

Chairman Murphy: Public hearing is closed; recognize Mr. de la Fe.

Commissioner de la Fe: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I fully concur with what has been said about these applications reflecting the tremendous work of the staff, the applicant, and the community. And I know – and of this – this was officially accepted more than – almost two years ago. And it is here with, as you say, very few problems or issues. And the – the four issues that were identified in the staff report, as far as I can tell with, perhaps, the stormwater issue, which I think can be handled as the future FDPs and so on come in, you know, I think this application reflects, you know, all that hard work. And in dealing with a site which has very – I would say – economically well-working businesses, as well as, you know – and so we're rezoning in an area which is commercially viable, and to make improvements to it based on the Comprehensive Plan while, at the same time, making sure that the viability of the commercial enterprises continues. Those of you who have heard me through the Tysons Committee know what I think of interim parking. The – what the – is being proposed in the proffers for that site where the interim Sheraton parking lot will be, and its uses, will provide for a limited amount, possibly, of commercial parking once its interim use for the Sheraton disappears. However, it is limited in time so that it will not be, you know, a long term use until the buildings are built, which may be quite some time. So having said that, Mr. Chairman, I MOVE THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL OF RZ 2011-HM-032, SUBJECT TO EXECUTION OF PROFFERS CONSISTENT WITH THOSE DATED JULY 23RD, 2013.

Commissioner Lawrence: Second.

Chairman Murphy: Seconded by Mr. Lawrence. Is there a discussion of the motion? All those in favor of the motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that it approve RZ 2011-HM-032, say aye.

Commissioners: Aye.

Chairman Murphy: Opposed? Motion carries; Mr. de la Fe.

Commissioner de la Fe: Mr. Chairman, I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVE FDP 2011-HM-032, SUBJECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS DATED JULY 31, 2013, which we received tonight and the reason I'm moving on it is because it solved one of the issues that had been identified successful – AND SUBJECT TO THE BOARD'S APPROVAL OF THE REZONING.

Commissioner Lawrence: Second.

Chairman Murphy: Seconded by Mr. Lawrence. Is there a discussion of that motion? All those in favor of the motion to approve FDP 2011-HM-032, subject to the Board's approval of the Rezoning, say aye.

Commissioners: Aye.

Chairman Murphy: Opposed? Motion carries.

Commissioner de la Fe: And finally, Mr. Chairman, I had threatened to move on the waivers and modifications one-by-one because of how I feel the importance of highlighting how suburban our ordinances are. However, just so that I didn't have to provide donuts, I MOVE THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL OF THE MODIFICATIONS AND WAIVERS AS LISTED IN THE HANDOUT PROVIDED TO YOU TODAY, WHICH ARE DATED JULY 31, 2013, AND WHICH SHALL BE MADE A PART OF THE RECORD FOR THIS CASE.

Commissioners Hall and Lawrence: Second.

Chairman Murphy: Seconded by Mr. Lawrence and Ms. Hall. She doesn't understand what they are, but because you did it that way, she's going to second the motion. All those in favor of the motion –

Commissioner Hall: I understand.

Chairman Murphy: – say aye.

Commissioners: Aye.

Chairman Murphy: Opposed? Motion carries. Thank you very much Ms. Baker and everyone.

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(The motions carried unanimously.)

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