

**Brandon Planning Commission
Waiver Hearing
March 31, 2014**

Planning Commission Members Present: Anne Bransfield, Jeff Guevin, Linda Stewart, Marty Feldman, Tracy Wyman

Others present: Richard Baker, Tina Wiles, Eric LaRock, Eric Mallory, Wayne Kingsley, Janet Mondlak

Call to Order:

Anne Bransfield opened the Waiver hearing at 7:56PM.

Introductions:

The hearing was open to discuss the proposed Set back Waivers in the Brandon Land Use Ordinance.

Questions/General Discussion:

Janet Mondlak has been an advocate for waivers. Having worked for the DRB and their predecessor for 20 years, she has seen the struggle the DRB members face when a variance request is submitted that doesn't fit within the state's legal definitions and the DRB is stretched to try to make it work. Over the years, they have done a good job in providing reasonable use of someone's property. Ms. Mondlak thinks this is great progress.

Richard Baker stated he is happy with the Waiver.

Eric LaRock stated as a new member of the DRB, it has been difficult to review some of the requests and make decisions on the properties based on the requirements. He is glad to see the addition of Waivers.

Tina Wiles stated it will be the same procedure as a variance, but less restrictive. This will give more people the ability to make reasonable use of their property and allow the DRB members the ability to make decisions more defensible.

Adjournment:

The hearing was closed at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Charlene Bryant
Recording Secretary

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