

Development Standards Committee Special Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

The Woodlands Township
2801 Technology Forest Boulevard
The Woodlands, Texas 77381

Members Present: Deborah Sargeant, Robert Heineman, Danie van Loggerenberg, Chris Florack, Walter Lisiewski, Kim Hess and Ken Anderson

Staff Present: Hennie van Rensburg and Neslihan Tesno

Legal counsel: Kyla Wilder, The Strong Firm, PC

I. Welcome/Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Deborah Sargeant at 8:06 a.m.

II. Consideration and Action of the Applications and Violations in Section VII recommended for Summary Action.
This item was not discussed.

III. Recess to Executive Session to consult with the Development Standards Committee's attorney pursuant to 551.071, Texas Government Code.
Chair Deborah Sargent recessed the committee to Executive Session at 8:07 a.m.

IV. Reconvene in Public Session
The committee was reconvened in Public Session at 8:38 a.m.

V. Consideration and action concerning short-term rentals/leasing of single family residences.
The committee discussed the issues of short term leasing of residences in The Woodlands. The following is a list of items to consider:

- Any residence that is used for the sole purpose of short term rentals is in violation of the covenants and standards due to the commercial nature of the business.
- Define short term rentals
- Hotel tax
- Limit conditions
- Create new application form - Application fee – contact info
- Event type rentals – for example - races, golf tournaments etc.

The majority agreed that the committee would come up with some proposed guidelines, disseminate information out to the village associations and collect feedback to determine. Staff will draw up a list of items to consider before the next special meeting.

VI. Public Comments
There were no public comments

VII. Member Comments
It was proposed to schedule another special DSC meeting the following Friday at 8am to further discuss the short term rental issue. Staff to schedule and inform the committee.

VIII. Staff Reports
There were no staff reports.

IX. Adjourn
There being no further business it was moved by Ken Anderson and seconded by Chris Florack to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.