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Minutes

City of Dunwoody Zoning Board of Appeals

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING Monday, April 27, 2009 – 11:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Location: Panera Bread Co. - 1625 Mount Vernon Road Dunwoody, Georgia 30338.

The meeting was called to order at just past 11:30 A.M. Ardy Bastien and Gerri Penn absent.

DISCUSSION CONDUCTED:

- 1. Discussion was had amongst the Board membership and staff planner Howard Koontz, related to the skills, and both professional and educational backgrounds of the Board membership.
- 2. Discussion was had related to general housekeeping items, such as:
 - a. reimbursement of costs (if any)
 - b. the need for an ethics training session
 - c. how to educate Board membership on ongoing changes to plans for the community
 - d. the perceived need for ID badges
 - e. possible additional procedures to be used at hearings
 - f. rules of order
- 3. Discussion was had related to the general philosophy of board:
 - a. Require motion to include reason a variance is approved related to the 5 "hardship" elements?
 - b. Does a variance agree with the spirit of zoning, just not the letter of the law?
- 4. Chairman Rick Otness stated he had conversations with Zoning Board of Appeals members in neighboring jurisdictions and related those conversations to the other Board members.

ADJOURN – the meeting concluded at approximately 12:40 P.M.