

CITY OF PULLMAN
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Special Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2008

The City of Pullman Board of Adjustment held a special meeting at 7:30 on Monday, June 23, 2008, in Council Chambers, City Hall, 325 SE Paradise, Pullman, Washington with Chairperson Michael Kallaher presiding.

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| ROLL CALL: | Present: | Beaumont, Finch, Harbour, Kallaher, Yrazabal |
| | Absent: | Smart |
| | Staff: | Dickinson, Emerson |

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| KALLAHER | Opened the meeting at 7:31 pm and called roll. |
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| MOTION | Finch moved to accept the minutes for Regular Meeting of April 21, 2008 as prepared by staff. Seconded by Yrazabal and passed unanimously. |
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REGULAR BUSINESS
Conduct a public hearing to review and take action on a conditional use permit application submitted by James VanOrden, on behalf of the Pullman School District, to install an electronic scoreboard at Pullman High School, 510 NW Larry Street on Military Hill.

Kallaher read the public hearing rules of procedure, administered the oath of affirmation for those wishing to provide testimony during the hearing and qualified all Board Members. Harbour recused herself from the hearing because she is a real estate agent and has a property listed within 300 feet of the subject property. Kallaher asked for the staff report.

Dickinson stated that James VanOrden is the applicant on behalf of the Pullman School District. The proposal involves the installation of a 96 square foot electronic scoreboard that is 6 feet in height by 16 feet in width and would be installed at the Pullman High School lower athletic fields near the northwest corner of the soccer field. The scoreboard would measure about 15 feet tall when mounted. It is in a R2 zone. Staff believes that the score board is beneficial for the school district, but has concerns about the aesthetics of such a large scoreboard adjacent to a residential neighborhood. Staff recommends approval with the condition that the applicant install a Type 1 landscaping screen along the north side of the scoreboard.

Staff report No. 08-7 with attachments A-F is entered into the record as Exhibit No. 1.

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| KALLAHER | Called for proponents. |
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James VanOrden
1830 NW Ventura

Stated that he is the applicant on behalf of the Pullman School District. The school district has no problem with planting a screen

Pullman, WA 99163 along the north side of the scoreboard. They are planning to plant Emerald Arborvitae starting at 6 feet. They are an evergreen that is a common boarder plant. The scoreboard is designed for the one soccer field.

Debi Sterk
770 SE Pheasant Run
Pullman, WA 99163 Stated that she headed the fundraiser for the scoreboard. The top donors stated that they would only donate money for a quality scoreboard that would show other information besides just the time and score.

Mike Davis
440 NW Thomas
Pullman, WA 99163 Stated that he is the Activities Director for Pullman High School and lives within 300 feet of the subject property. The scoreboard could attract more summer tournaments to the soccer field.

KALLAHER Called for opponents; no response. Called for neutral parties; no response. Closed the public portion of the hearing.

DISCUSSION Board members expressed that the scoreboard would be a great addition to the field. They said they appreciate the work the school district did with the community to find the best location.

MOTION Yrazabal moved to accept Findings of Fact Nos. 1-17 as prepared by staff. Seconded by Beaumont and passed unanimously.

MOTION Finch moved to accept Conclusions Nos. 1-9 as prepared by staff. Seconded by Beaumont and passed unanimously.

MOTION Yrazabal moved to approve Conditional Use Permit No. C-08-2 with the following condition: The applicant shall install a Type 1 landscaping screen as described in Zoning Code Section 17.45.080 along the north side of the scoreboard. Second by Finch and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

UPCOMING MEETINGS No issues with the upcoming meetings.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

ATTEST:

Chairperson

Planning Director

Secretary