

**CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE, MICHIGAN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

MINUTES OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING 27400 SOUTHFIELD ROAD, LATHRUP VILLAGE, MICHIGAN, USA.

Board Members Present: Frank Brock, Bruce Copus, MyKale Garrett, Maria Mannarino Thompson, Allen Weaks

Also Present: City Administrator, Matt Baumgarten, Martha Potere, Assistant City Administrator, City Attorney Matt Quinn and Yvette Talley, City Clerk

THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER.

**ZBA 14-05 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the June 16, 2014 Meeting

Motion by Board member Garrett, seconded by Board member Weaks to approve the minutes of the May June 16, 2014 minutes.

Motion carried.

ZBA #695-14 Zoning Variance Request for 18530 San Diego

Gary Anderson gave an overview and answered specific questions.

Motion by Board member Weaks, seconded by Board member Mannarino Thompson to approve the Variance Request of Gary and Addell Anderson at 18530 San Diego to remove a garage from the property in the R1 District.

Board member Copus asked the City Attorney if we provide this variance would they be in violation the current ordinance. Mr. Quinn said, you are saying they do not have to have a garage on their property which is the variance.

Board member Copus stated, he is not going to approve the variance to tear the garage down. The only way he would approve it is if they were tearing down the garage to replace it with another garage. Lathrup Village is known for having garages, it is the character of the community. The garage has been left in disrepair for 10 years, it is not a hardship and he cannot vote for this variance.

Board Member Mannarino Thompson stated, when the house/garage were built it was a different environment. When the neighborhood built up, it made the use of the garage totally impractical. This is a unique home with unique issues. Tearing down the garage, having a more attractable

usable yard is better for the neighborhood rather than forcing them to add something to their house that is equally impractical.

Motion carried.

**Motion by Board member Copus, seconded by Board member Weaks to adjourn the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting and reconvene as the City Council.**

**Motion carried.**

Submitted by Yvette Talley, City Clerk

**Approved April 20, 2015  
M-Weaks, 2-Garrett**