

1 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING: City of Pontiac Zoning
2 Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes on Tuesday, August 16,
3 2016; Pontiac City Hall, 47450 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac,
4 Michigan 48342

5 COMMISSIONERS: Chair Ahmad Taylor
6 Carlos Bueno
7 Sam Anderson
8 Elcine Kirkendolph
9 Joseph Sinclair
10 Laurie Bishop
11 Lucy Payne

12 FROM THE CITY: Derek Dowdell, Assistant City Planner

13 CHAIRMAN TAYLOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:05 P.M.

14 ROLL CALL:

15 PRESENT: Chair Taylor, Comm. Anderson, Comm. Bishop,
16 Comm. Kirkendolph, Comm. Sinclair, Comm. Bueno

17 ARRIVED LATE: Comm. Payne

18 Mr. Dowdell reported a quorum present.

19 COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

20 MINUTES FOR REVIEW: 7-19-16 AND 8-2-16

21 COMM. SINCLAIR MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES

22 COMM. KIRKENDOLPH SECONDED

23 VOTE: AYES: Kirkendolph, Sinclair,
24 Anderson, Taylor, Bishop

25 NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Bueno.

Vote 5-0-1 motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE.

NEW BUSINESS:

1 PUBLIC HEARING AND VARIANCE REQUEST:
2 ZBA-16-22
3 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 895 Joslyn Ave.
4 ZONE: M-1, Limited Industrial District
5 LOCATION: Parcel # 14-21-102-001, 14-16-376-008
6 APPLICANT: FES Group/General Motors LLC (Owner)
Rep: Gary Beretta
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8 Presentation of facts given by Mr. Dowdell.
9 Mr. Beretta, for FES Group, provided some handouts to the
10 Board that display elevations, spoke about other buildings
closing and explained their intentions with this new
11 building.
12 CHAIR TAYLOR OPENED AND CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT.
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14 COMM. ANDERSON WANTED TO CONFIRM HIS THOUGHT THAT BUILDING A
WAS BUILT IN THE 1960S.
15 Mr. Beretta confirmed.
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17 COMM. ANDERSON INQUIRED IF THEY WANTED A NEW BUILDING SO
THEY COULD GET EVERYTHING ON ONE LEVEL.
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19 Mr. Beretta explained that they are really trying to hold
the elevation in the lab areas.
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21 COMM. PAYNE INQUIRED IF THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS GOING TO
BE HERE FOR A WHILE.
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23 Mr. Beretta explained that he only indicated other buildings
were closing because this is where they are to be relocated.
24 He also pointed out a couple of them that have closed were
leased facilities and that this is in the spirit of having
25 engineering in one facility.
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27 COMM. BUENO MOVED TO APPROVE THE DIMENSIONAL VARIANCE
REQUEST FOR ZBA-16-22, 895 JOSLYN RD., GM FACILITY FOR
SECTION 2.312(B) MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT FOR A BUILDING
HEIGHT VARIANCE OF 12 FEET (45 TO 57 FEET BUILDING HEIGHT);
AS THE REQUEST APPEARS TO MEET THE SPECIFIC STANDARDS FOR
PRACTICAL DIFFICULTY FROM SECTION 6.407 OF THE ZONING
ORDINANCE.

1 COMM. PAYNE SECONDED.

2 VOTE: AYES: Payne, Kirkendolph, Sinclair,
Anderson, Taylor, Bishop, Bueno

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NAYS: None.

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ABSTAIN: None.

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Vote 7-0-0 motion carries.

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CHAIR TAYLOR OPENED AND CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT.

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ADJOURNMENT: 7:29 P.M.

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