

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Indiana Fire Prevention and  
Building Safety Commission  
Government Center South  
302 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
Conference Center Room B

December 2, 2014

Pursuant to IC 22-12-2-6, the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission's regular monthly meeting was opened by Chairman Hawkins at 9:09 a.m. on December 2, 2014.

(a) Commissioners present at the Commission meeting:

Ron Brown  
Gregory Furnish  
Kevin Goeden, representing the Commissioner, Department of Labor  
John Hawkins, Chairman  
Todd Hite, representing the Commissioner, Department of Health  
James Walsh  
James Jordan  
Matt Mitchell  
Patrick Richardson  
Jessica Scherich  
Craig Von Beyen

(b) The following departmental and support staff were present during the meeting:

Legal and Code Services  
Mara Snyder, Director, Legal and Code Services  
Cecilia Ernestes-Boxell, Code Specialist  
Denise Fitzpatrick, Code Specialist  
Tom Walters, Staff Attorney

(c) James Schmidt, Deputy Attorney General was present.

Chairman Hawkins presented an award to Mara Snyder for her dedication to serving the citizens of Indiana, in honor of her upcoming retirement.

2. Old Business

Chairman Hawkins called for any corrections or a motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2014, meeting. Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

3. Ordinances

Unsafe Building Ordinance 14-2  
Bloomington, Indiana

Mara Snyder, Director, Legal and Code Services, introduced the ordinance and recommended approval. Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

4. Third Party Inspections

NTA, Inc.  
305 North Oakland Avenue  
PO Box 490  
Nappanee, Indiana 46550

PSI  
1748 33<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Gainesville, Florida 32839

Kevin Froy, Fire and Building Code Enforcement, introduced the applicants, and recommended approval. Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve both, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

The presentation of both Chuck Emsweller and Fire Marshal Jim Gleeson were moved to later on the agenda.

5. Variances

Tabled Variances

14-09-01 Country Meadow Amish School, South Whitley

The application was still incomplete and ineligible to be heard. Commissioner Mitchell moved to remove the application from the agenda, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

14-10-04 CV East LLC, Marion

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Mitchell. It was voted upon and carried.

14-10-08 Kimbell Building, French Lick

The application was incomplete and ineligible to be heard. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Mitchell. It was voted upon and carried.

14-10-19 Meadow Springs, Medaryville

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to omit sprinklers in the new addition to the existing A-2 occupancy. The estimated cost of a sprinkler system was \$250,000 for the rural property. A 2-hour fire wall would be built between the new and existing building, as well as the installation of a fire alarm system, smoke detection, and shunt trip for audio in the banquet space. Chapter 34 evaluation had been done for the existing building, and scores had been provided. There would be no open flames and no smoking allowed. Five exits out of the new banquet space would be provided. Following discussion, Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve with the condition that no open flames were allowed. Commissioner Hoch made the second. It was voted upon and carried with 2 nays.

The members of the Commission were invited to walk through the Mobile Compliance Lab, a presentation arranged by Fire Marshal Jim Greeson, to view a demonstration of safety locks, used in schools and other institutional facilities, as presented by Dick Cridell of ASSA ABLOY.

**Breaking and Reconvening.** Chairman Hawkins recessed the Commission at 9:31 a.m. to allow members and staff to view the Mobile Compliance Lab. It was called back to order at 10:05 a.m.

## 6. Presentation by Chuck Emsweller

Chuck Emsweller, Director of IT for IDHS, spoke to the members of the Commission concerning the online electronic variance application program and the issues it has been facing. He apologized, and noted that the programmer who had developed the program was no longer with the State and that no replacement had yet been secured, though he did have a person in the hiring process.

## 7. Tabled Variances, cont.

### 14-11-02 Restoring Hope Community Church, Indianapolis

Jason Leuking, attorney, spoke as proponent. Also present was Dan Wilhite, pastor of the church, Tim Callas, J&T Consulting, and John Kempner, Pike Township Fire Department, who had no objection to the variance. They had obtained a \$110,000 sprinkler estimate, and had hired Mr. Callas to do a Chapter 34 review. Results of the review done as an A occupancy, were distributed. Cost of the project was \$265,000 for the purchase of the building, and cosmetic remodeling costs for paint and carpet were accrued. Following discussion, Commissioner Hoch moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

### 14-11-03 TransMontaigne Fire Foam Removal, Evansville

Dennis Cappicio, District Director, spoke as proponent. He stated that the 35 year old foam system was inoperable when the building had been purchased, and was found to be unrepairable. An estimate of \$500,000 in replacement cost had been submitted. The request was to be allowed to no longer maintain the foam system. He stated that a heat detection system was in place and shut down the dispensers, thereby stopping the flow of fuel. A site containment system was in place. Following a lengthy discussion which included whether the system had been required by code when installed, Commissioner Hoch moved to approve with the condition that they coordinate with the local fire department the provision of foam maintained on site for a response. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

### 14-11-04 Indianapolis Lighthouse Charter School, Indianapolis

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Jordan. It was voted upon and carried.

### 14-11-08 Casa Male Bed & Breakfast, Evansville

Mark Wright, owner, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the use of Rule 13 for the conversion on a building over the 3,000 square foot limit. The historic home had been a bed and breakfast from 2000 to 2007, but had reverted to a single family dwelling when it was purchased by the proponent. The proponent now wished to return the building to a bed and breakfast. He

stated the previous owner had renovated the structure with new wiring, plumbing and flooring, and had installed smoke detectors. Kevin Troy, Fire and Building Code Enforcement, noted that the basement or third floor could not be used under Rule 13. The proponent stated they planned to open only the first and second floor for public use, blocking off access to the third floor with a locked door. The basement was for mechanical use only. Following discussion, Commissioner Hoch moved to approve, with the condition that the public use be limited to the first and second floor. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

14-11-10 Mimi Blue, Indianapolis

Mark Demerle, architect, spoke as proponent. The entry to this existing, 1930's historic building does not comply with ANSI requirements for accessibility, and, as an historic structure, the storefront cannot be changed per the Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission. The entry door sits within a 24" recess without enough latch side clearance for compliance. Following discussion, Commissioner Von Deylen moved no variance was required, with the second by Commissioner Jordan. It was voted upon and carried. The proponent had briefly returned to his seat, but had returned to the speaker's table. He noted that the recess may actually measure 30", and will not have steps. Following a brief discussion of the new information, Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

14-11-20(b) Chef JJ's Renovation, Indianapolis

The variance application had been noted on the agenda as being withdrawn, but it was thought to be incorrect. Commissioner Von Deylen then moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Brown. It was voted upon and carried.

14-11-39 445 W. Hoosier Blvd. Bathroom Renovation, Peru

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Richard moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

14-11-39 Providence Pennington Church, Montgomery

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Richard. It was voted upon and carried.

#### New Variance

Chairman Hawkins asked for any requests to review variance applications with an "A" or "B" recommendation from staff or abstentions. Commissioner Brown requested an individual hearing for 14-12-21(c) Eden Ridge School, LaGrange, and 14-12-22(c), Blue Heron School, LaGrange.

Commissioner Scheurich noted she would abstain from voting on variance id #15673 and 14-12-42, Canal Commons, Delphi. Commissioner Von Deylen then made a motion to approve the remaining "A" and "B" variances. The second was made by Commissioner Scheurich. It was voted upon and carried.

The following variances were approved as submitted:

- (1) 14-12-02 College Park Condos Windows, Bloomington
- (2) 14-12-03(a)(b) Indianapolis Downtown Transit Center, Indianapolis
- (3) 14-12-11 Rickers FID #15450, Elwood
- (4) 14-12-14 Saint Mary's College Science Hall, Notre Dame
- (5) 14-12-15 IPL Harding Street Station Security Building, Indianapolis
- (6) 14-12-16 Penn Street Tower Renovation, Indianapolis
- (7) 14-12-17(b) The Coil Apartments, Indianapolis
- (8) 14-12-19(a)(b) North Lockerbie Lofts – Elevators, Indianapolis
- (9) 14-12-20(a)(b)(c) North Lockerbie Apartments, Indianapolis
- (10) 14-12-21(a)(b)(c) Eden Ridge School, LaGrange
- (11) 14-12-22(a)(b)(c) Blue Heron School, LaGrange

Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hite. It was voted upon and carried. Commissioner Brant then explained that he wanted to vote on the "c" variances separately. Chairman Hawkins then called for a vote on Eden Ridge School (a) and (b) and Blue Heron School (a) and (b). They were approved unanimously. Chairman Hawkins called for a vote on Eden Ridge School (c) and Blue Heron School (c). It was voted upon and carried with one nay vote.

- (12) 14-12-24 Kendall Apartment, French Lick
- (13) 14-12-25(a)(b) IU Kokomo Main Building, Kokomo

The following variances were heard separately.

Chairman Hawkins explained that some of the variance applications which have only an identification number were actually "stuck" in the system as incomplete due to computer glitch. He announced they would hear those applications which have an "A" or "B" staff rating, and if there are those who have an issue with any of these variances, they may ask the Commissioner for a reconsideration.

- (14) 14-12-01 Los Amigos Restaurant, Merrillville

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Mitchell moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Hite. It was voted upon and carried.

- (15) 14-12-04 Sycamore Building Elevator, Terre Haute

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Richard moved to take with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

- (16) 14-12-05 York Elementary School, Bristol

No proponent was available for questions. Commissioner Hoch moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

- (17) 14-12-06 Void  
(18) 14-12-07 Void

- (18) 14-12-08 Woodbury Ridge Apartments, Westfield  
(19) 14-12-09 Centennial Highland Apartments, Ft. Wayne  
(20) 14-12-10 Templeton Ridge Apartments, Noblesville

Mark Riffey, Ryan Fire Protection, spoke as proponent for the above three variances. The request was to allow the use of an NFPA 13D system in lieu of the NFPA 13R system required by code. The apartments are one story, with a front and rear exit to the exterior. A 1-hour fire barrier will be installed between each tenant. Following discussion, Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve with the condition that acknowledgements from local fire and building officials be received by close of business that day, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried with one nay. Commissioner Shell and Commissioner Brown abstained.

- (21) 14-12-12 Wal-Mart Supercenter #2818, Hammond

No proponent was present for questions for the incomplete application. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Hite. It was voted upon and carried.

- (22) 14-12-13 Central Library Parking Garage Elevator Project, Indianapolis

Melissa Gupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. Also speaking was Chuck McNeel, Ratio Architects. The request was to allow the use of non-laminated glass which had been installed in an elevator hoistway with an operating elevator. Tom Hendricks, Chief Inspector, Elevator Safety Division, advised the Commission that the contractor had informed them of the use of the glass, and he felt they needed to adhere to the code. This elevator serves three floors of the underground parking garage, and has the entire top floor exposed to the outside in downtown Indianapolis. A film sold by 3M, called Safety and Security Film, was suggested which can be applied to the glass to serve

as an alternative to laminated glass. Following a lengthy discussion of cost and difficulty in application, Commissioner Brown moved to approve with the condition that the described 3M film be installed and the manufacturer's maintenance and schedule of replacement be followed. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(23) 14-12-17(c) The Coil Apartments, Indianapolis

Dennis Bradshaw, FP&C Consultants, spoke as proponent. His present was Nick Davis, architect. The request was to allow a 70 foot high, 4-story parking garage plus 2 stories of apartments which would overlap the top of the podium. Following a lengthy discussion which included separations and sprinklers, Commissioner Hoch moved to table to allow the proponent to discuss design change options with the owner. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(24) 14-12-18 Cintas – Georgetown Road-Wash Alley Replacement, Indianapolis

Steve Schock, Cintas Field Manager, spoke as proponent. The wash alley in the Georgetown Road facility is to be replaced. Due to the site constraint of 30 feet between columns, the five 36" depth for washing clearance for electrical panels would not be possible without a re-configuration of the building at a cost of \$288,000. The personnel who work on the machines are all required to be trained and tested on hazard identification, PPE usage, barrier set-up and LOTO requirements. With the high voltage in back of the machine, no walls were to be installed behind the machines. Following a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Harnish moved to approve. Motion died for lack of second. Commissioner Richard then moved to deny. Motion died for lack of second. Commissioner Mitchell moved to table to allow the proponent to review a design change that may not require a variance. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

**Breaking and re-opening.** Chairman Hawkins recessed the Commission at 12:35 p.m. for luncheon. It was called back to order at 1:30 p.m.

(25) 14-11-14(b) Providence Mennonite Church, Montgomery

Thomas Schroeder, Schroeder and Associates, spoke as proponent. Due to weather conditions, the proponent arrived well into the meeting, and was allowed to be heard at this time. The plans for the church had been reworked to include two additional exits. Following discussion, Commissioner Richard moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

- (26) 14-12-23 San Pedro Mexican Restaurant, Charlestown

Jose Torres, owner, spoke as proponent. The request was to omit the sprinklers in his new restaurant in an existing building. Both the local fire and the local building officials supported the variance in writing. Commissioner Richard moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried with one vote.

- (27) 14-12-25(a)(b) IU Kokomo Main Building, Kokomo

Dennis Bradshaw, FP&C Consulting, appeared as proponent for the now completed variance. The applications-(a) requesting use of non-rated doors protected by close spaced sprinklers and (b) allowing for non-rated corridors, when complete would have been eligible for the block vote, both having been given a "B" rating on the staff report. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve both variances, with the second by Commissioner Brown. It was voted upon and carried.

- (28) 14-12-26(a)(b) Hawthorne Community Center, Indianapolis

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, appeared as proponent for the now completed variances. Variance (a) and variance (b) were requests to use a 1-hour fire barrier in lieu of a fire wall to separate existing construction, sprinklered, new construction and to separate different construction types. Both had been given an "A" rating on the staff report and would have been eligible for block vote, when complete. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve both variances, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

- (29) 14-12-27 Mt. Vernon Public Safety Facility, Mt. Vernon

The variance, which requested use of a 2-hour fire barrier between new and existing construction in lieu of a 2-hour fire wall, had been given a "B" on the staff report and was now complete. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

- (30) 14-12-28(a)(b)(c) East Creek Brewery Tap Room Expansion, Bloomington

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. A 49 seat brewery, a B occupancy, was to expand into a second tenant space which had been a bar. The request in variance (a) was to receive 0.8 points in the Fire Safety portion of the Chapter 34 review to allow a change of occupancy without complying with rules for new construction. Variance (b) was to confine the Chapter 34 review to the combined tenant space only, and not the entire structure. Variance (c) was to be allowed to use an existing exterior masonry wall in lieu of the code-required fire wall. Bobby LaRue, Monroe County Building

Department, also addressed the Commission. He felt that the proponent should follow the code as written and evaluate the entire structure, and pass the Chapter 34 review without asking for points. Following discussion concerning the information that was on the attachments that had disappeared from the online application, Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Brown to allow reconsideration when the attachments were available. It was voted upon and carried.

(31) 14-12-29 John Force Racing TI, Brownsburg

The variance request for an exit travel distance of 115 feet had been given an "A" in the staff review, and would have been eligible for the block vote if it had been complete. The application was now complete and Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve with the second by Commissioner Goeden. It was voted upon and carried.

(32) 14-12-30 Green Sense Farms, Portage

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. Also presenting was Robert Calengelo, Green Sense Farms, and Doug Sweeny, local building official. Green Sense Farms is an agricultural use, a multi-tenant Class 1 structure. Vertical racks of plants are arranged up to 24 feet high, with a lighting system suspended from the racks to facilitate growth. The system is not UL approved. The request was for a 60 day variance to await the results of the last test before the final UL listing approval of a lighting system they wish to install. They would like to only have to replace the lighting once, hence the 60 day request. Following a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve for 60 days on the condition they comply with all UL regulations for the lighting. Commissioner Richard made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(33) 14-12-31 Tri-County Intermediate School, Wolcott

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the phasing in of sprinklers for the project, allowing the first phase of the renovation to be occupied before the second phase is completed and the entire system activated. The project is expected to be completed in December, 2016. Following discussion, Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

(34) 14-12-31 Cunningham Arts Center Building Expansion, Indianapolis

Ralph Gerdes, Ralph Gerdes Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow wood within the exterior walls of the Type IIB construction classroom addition. Two layers of 5/8" Type X gypsum board were applied to the inside of the wall. The building is sprinklered and will have a brick exterior. Following discussion, Commissioner Hoch

moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

(35) 14-12-33 Sylvan Cellars Event Center, Rome City

Tim Callas, J&T Consulting, spoke as proponent. The variance had requested a stair in a sprinkled A-2 occupancy conversion to remain unenclosed per the 2004 Indiana Building Code. It had been given a "B" on the staff review, and was now complete. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Richard. It was voted upon and carried.

(36) 14-12-34(a)(b) Clifton Square, Indianapolis

Tim Callas, J&T Consulting, spoke as proponent. Variance (a) was a request to allow the owner of the building to adjust the already-installed windows, which exceed maximum high side reach by 7", for physically challenged tenants. Following discussion, Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Scheurich. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was a request to allow dryer exhaust duct lengths to exceed code compliant 25 feet. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

(37) 14-12-35 Sparta, Fishers

Tim Callas, J&T Consulting, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the existing glass storefront to remain, protected by close-spaced sprinklers located directly in front of the windows to wash the windows, in lieu of a 1-hour wall with 45 minute opening protection. Following discussion, Commissioner Richard moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

(38) 14-12-36 Champions Pointe Pool, Henryville

The request was to allow the use of a total of eight skimmers in lieu of code-required gutters. Commissioner Richard moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hite. It was voted upon and carried.

(39) 14-12-37 Franklin Training Center Addition, Bargersville

Erin Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow a "vehicle training laboratory" treated as a B occupancy to nullify the 3-hour separation requirement. The laboratory will train employees on the procedures and equipment for

the electrical utility vehicles, not repairs or maintenance. The owner had advised the proponent that they had received an amended CDR, and no longer needed the variance. Commissioner Von Deylen moved no variance required, with the second by Commissioner Brown. It was voted upon and carried.

- (40) 14-12-38(a)(b) Millersburg Elementary School Renovations, Millersburg

Dennis Bradshaw, FP&C Consultants, spoke as proponent. Variance (a) was to allow 90 minute fire-rated double doors to exceed the 25% allowable opening in the fire wall. They are within a 1-hour rated corridor. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. Variance (b) was to allow the use of 2-hour fire barriers in lieu of the code-required 4-hour fire wall. Following discussion Commissioner Hoch moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried with 1 nay.

- (41) 14-12-39 580 Carmel, Carmel

This variance was a request to allow the use of an alternative protection for a four-story stair and had been given a "B" staff rating. The application was now complete and Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

- (42) 14-12-40(a)(b)(c)(d) Mainstreet Union City, Union City

The variances had been given an "A" rating in the staff report. The variances were now complete and Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Brown. It was voted upon and carried.

- (43) 14-12-41 Nappanee Missionary Church Gymnasium Expansion, Nappanee

Dennis Bradshaw, FP&C Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow the use of a 2-hour fire barrier to separate an existing, unsprinklered church from a sprinklered addition to the gymnasium, creating a 3,000 square foot fire area increase. Two new exits will be added. Following discussion, Commissioner Hoch moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried with one nay.

- (44) Variance id #15659 - Wernley Youth and Family Treatment Center Administration Building, Richmond

This application was still incomplete, had not been assigned a variance number, and was ineligible to be heard. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Jordan. It was voted upon and carried.

Variance id #15673 - Canal Commons, Delphi concerning the party wall was withdrawn by the proponent, Ed Rensink.

- (45) 14-12-42 Canal Commons, Delphi

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The variance, a request to comply with Chapter 4 of the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code, had been given a "B" staff rating, but did not show the proof of notification by the local building official. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve with proof of notification submitted to staff within ten working days. Commissioner Hoch made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

- (46) 14-12-43 Mainstreet Health & Wellness Suites of Richmond, Richmond

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The variance, requesting the use of sliding doors to patient rooms with an occupant load of less than ten in lieu of the side hinged swinging doors, had been given an "A" on the staff review, but lacked a proof of local official notification. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the condition the green card was submitted to staff within ten business days. Commissioner Richard made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

- (47) 14-12-44(a)(b)(c) Farmers Urban Pharmaceuticals Warehouse, Seymour

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. Variance (a) was to allow an unlimited opening in an exterior wall between the sprinklered existing building and the new warehouse protected by an ESFR system. Variance (b) was to allow a fire access road on the west side of the building only. Variance (c) was to allow the west wall of the new warehouse to be 20 feet from the property line. All three variances had been given an "A" on the staff review, but lacked a proof of local official notification. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve all three with the green card was submitted to staff within ten days. Commissioner Hoch made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(48) 14-12-45(a)(b)(c) Interchange Mine, Lynnville

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. Variance (a) was to omit the vehicular protection barriers for fuel tanks as required by code. Due to the size of the area and the size of the machinery, the tanks are regularly moved to work areas to accommodate the drivers, making permanent barriers impractical. Commissioner Hoch moved to approve pending proof of local official notification being submitted by staff within ten days. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried. Variance (b) was to omit the emergency disconnect switch for the diesel fuel equipment due to the constant relocation to remote areas of the facility. Variance (c) was to omit the permanent location of fuel dispensing tanks. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve (b) and (c) pending proof of local official notification, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

(49) 14-12-46 Manley Finish Grading Inc, Indianapolis

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to omit the fire hydrants to all parts of the building as required by code. The facility has well water and retention ponds. Two fire stations are within three miles, one of which has a tanker truck. Following a lengthy discussion, Commissioner Hoch moved to approve pending receipt of local official notification. Commissioner Von Deylen made the second. It was voted upon and carried.

(50) 14-12-47 Cardinal Health 414 LLC Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Facility, Indianapolis

Melissa Tupper, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to allow an alternative sprinkler system in rooms with radioactive pharmaceuticals. Commissioner Brown moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Furnish. It was voted upon and carried.

(51) 14-12-48 Triecanoe Laboratories, Lafayette

Cristina Collette, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The company had applied for and had been granted 23 variances for this project in July of 2014 in preparation for building the facility. Delays in funding had caused all aspects of the project to be delayed with a projected CDR filing date in July of 2015. The request was to allow the building to be reviewed under the 2008 Indiana Building Code to avoid the need to refile for the variances. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Richard. It was voted upon and carried.

(52) 12-12-17(a) The Coil Apartment, Indianapolis

Dennis Bradshaw, FP&C Consultants, spoke as proponent. The application was incomplete. Commissioner Von Deylen moved to table, with the second by Commissioner Hoch. It was voted upon and carried.

(53) 14-12-49 Lawton Loop at Historic Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis

Ed Rensink, RTM Consultants, spoke as proponent. The request was to be able change the occupancy of an existing building without complying either with the rules for new construction or Chap. 34 in order to lease the lower two levels for business tenants. The second and third floors will remain unused and blocked off. Following discussion Commissioner Hoch moved to approve, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

8. Discussion of scope of "space open to the corridor" in Section 12.6.8d of the Building Code

A handout of a copy of Section 12.6.8d was provided to Commission members. Commission members were asked to discuss category d from the chart provided in that section with respect to what spaces were included in the phrase "space open to the corridor" for purposes of the calculating points for the presence of smoke detection. A room without a door for separation from the corridor would be considered a part of the "common area" for purposes of that category d.

9. Discussion and Commission action on Petitions for Review (timely filed unless otherwise noted)

YMCA of Greater Indianapolis  
Order – Indianapolis Fire Department

Levy Storage Depot, Indianapolis  
Denial of variance 14-11-11

Commissioner Mitchell moved to grant the timely-filed petitions for review, with the second by Commissioner Von Deylen. It was voted upon and carried.

10. Comments – Chairman Hawkins

The Plan Review Task Force has completed their work and the criteria they have developed will be included in the mailing for January and voted upon in February.

11. Comments – Mara Snyder

Mara Snyder, Director, Legal and Code Services, noted the Commission will be receiving, in their next packet, a notice of intent to readopt the Electrical Code. There are no changes to the code which is scheduled to expire, it is a re-adoption only.

12. Chairman Hawkins then called for any further business. Hearing none, he then adjourned the meeting at 3:39p.m.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

John Hawkins, Chairman

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