

Blaine City Council

Aug. 27, 2007 *Demo*

RE: Public Hearing--Proposed Fee Deferral for Art Wiener

The following questions and comments I believe need to be considered prior to approving any fee deferral request. The general public is to some degree providing monies to the individuals in order for them to proceed with their projects. As such they should be informed as to what the costs are and the conditions under which the fees will ultimately be paid.

1. Has the Applicant provided the required information on his application request for the fee deferral? If not, why not?
2. What is the dollar amount of the fees that is being asked to be deferred? Will this amount be established at the time of the application for fee deferrals or will it be the rate that would be in place at the time the deferred fees have to be paid?
3. If the fee deferral is approved by the CC at tonight's Public Hearing, what will be the last date that the applicant can begin construction and have the fees deferred?  
This is Aug. 27, 2007. 60 days from today will be Oct. 27, 2007. If construction hasn't started by this date will the fee deferral request become null and void and the fees will be due at this time?
4. If the property were to be sold prior to commencement of construction and transferred to new owners, will the initial date of Aug 27th, 2007 still be the starting date for the 60 day requirement to begin construction? If construction is not started within this time frame will the deferred fee request become null and void and the fees will be due if construction is to take place? Can the applicant reapply for fee deferrals for the same project?
5. If the property is sold prior, to its completion, will the 24 month time frame for completing construction, by the new owner, be counted from the date the fee deferral was granted? (i.e. Aug. 27, 2007) If the new owner is unable to complete construction within the 24 month time frame, will the deferred fees be due on the last day of the 24 month time period? Can the applicant apply for an extension of the 24 month period? What would have to be the justification for granting such an extension?

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