

MINUTES OF THE PANORA ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
January 13, 5:15 p.m.

A duly noticed meeting of the Panora Zoning Board of Adjustment was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairperson Mark Humphreys. Roll was taken. Members present were Ellen Campbell, Carla Fitzgerald, Mark Humphreys, and Ilene Olson. Member Carla Wood was absent.

The Board received the appeal of the Lutheran Church of Hope regarding the determination of Zoning and Building Administrator Lisa Grossman that a church is not a permitted use within the Light Industrial District. Attorney Kelly Orton of Brown Winick Law appeared on behalf of the appellant.

Administrator Grossman had previously submitted a written staff report, which she summarized for the record. Building Inspector Jason Van Ausdall of Veenstra & Kimm provided additional comments concerning the interpretation of the zoning ordinance and the procedural steps associated with an appeal.

Public testimony was received from Emily Donovan, Galen Redshaw, Kirk VanKirk, and Kelly Hamborg, each speaking in support of overturning the zoning administrator's determination. Attorney Orton presented argument asserting that the zoning administrator's interpretation was in error.

Following the close of public comment, the Board entered deliberations. Chairperson Humphreys outlined the actions available to the Board: (1) affirm the zoning administrator's determination, or (2) overturn the zoning administrator's determination.

Fitzgerald moved to affirm the zoning administrator's decision. Olson seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

Following the vote, Building Inspector Van Ausdall requested permission to address the Board and those present. Chairperson Humphreys granted the request. Van Ausdall provided information regarding the options available to the appellant moving forward.

There being no further business, Chairperson Humphreys requested a motion to adjourn. Fitzgerald moved to adjourn at 5:58 p.m., seconded by Olson. Upon roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

BY: 
Mark Humphreys, Chairperson

ATTEST:


Lisa Grossman, City Administrator