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Decision Letter

Board of County Commissioners

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

2:00 PM

County Commission Chambers

23-1105

Case # SE-22-11-118

Nathan Milch for Temple on Hempel, Kimley-Horn, July 6, 2023; District 1
(Continued from September 26, 2023)

Consideration: Appeal of the recommendation of the Board of Zoning Adjustment on a request by applicant for Special Exception in the A-1 zoning district to allow for the construction of an 800 seat 45,000 sq. ft. religious institution.

Location: District 1; property located at 2198 Hempel Avenue, Gotha, Florida, 34734; Orange County, Florida (legal property description on file in Zoning Division)

County Staff announced that the size of the building was previously clarified by the applicant, in the previous public hearing held on September 26, 2023. The building size was advertised as 45,000 sq. ft.; however, the applicant is proposing the size be 33,419 sq. ft.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Bonilla, to uphold the Board of Zoning Adjustment recommendation of July 6, 2023; and further, deny the applicant's request of a special exception in the A-1 zoning district to allow for the construction of an 800-seat 45,000 sq. ft. religious institution for Case # 22-11-118. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Mayor Demings, Commissioner Wilson and Commissioner Bonilla

Nay: 4 - Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Uribe, Commissioner Gomez Cordero, and Commissioner Scott

Board discussion ensued regarding the revised site plan, seating capacity, parking spaces, and which Conditions of Approval to be approved.

The motion made by Commissioner Uribe, to make a finding of consistency with the Comprehensive Plan; and further, approve the request was withdrawn.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uribe, seconded by Commissioner Moore, to reconsider the original motion made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Bonilla, that failed to uphold the Board of Zoning Adjustment recommendation of July 6, 2023; and further, deny the applicant's request of a special exception. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Demings, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Uribe, Commissioner Gomez Cordero, Commissioner Bonilla and Commissioner Scott

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Bonilla, to uphold the Board of Zoning Adjustment recommendation of July 6, 2023; and further, deny the applicant's request of a special exception in the A-1 zoning district to allow for the construction of an 800-seat 45,000 sq. ft. religious institution, for Case # SE-22-11-118. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Demings, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Bonilla, and Commissioner Scott

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Uribe, and Commissioner Gomez Cordero



THE FOREGOING DECISION HAS BEEN FILED WITH ME THIS 6TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.

[Handwritten Signature]
For DEPUTY CLERK
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Note: This document constitutes the final decision of the Board of County Commissioners on this matter. If, upon the Board's subsequent review and approval of its minutes, an error affecting this final decision is discovered, a corrected final decision will be prepared, filed, and distributed.

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