

TAB 3

Staff Report
Special Fence Permit (SFP-08-01)
First Baptist Church Palmetto
1020 Fourth Street West

BACKGROUND:

An application has been filed by Mr. Terry Wells, Facilities Director, on behalf of First Baptist Church Palmetto, for a Special Fence Permit (SFP-08-01) at 1020 Fourth Street West, to install six (6) feet Long Islander #300 aluminum railing fence. This open rail fence will not obstruct right-of-way sight triangles. A diagram is attached showing the proposed fence location. It should also be noted that the proposed fence will replace an existing four (4) foot high chain link fence. The applicant proposes to replace the fencing on the property as shown in the diagram.

The proposed fence complies with the appropriate design criteria of the Downtown Design Guidelines (DDG).

CODE REQUIREMENTS:

Article VII. Fences Section 7-185(a) of the Zoning Code states “No fence shall be built, erected or maintained at a height greater than four-foot (4’) at locations that would be closer to the road or street right-of-way than the building setback line as provided in the zoning ordinance of the city, except as provided in section (d).”

Section 7-185 (d) states, “Notwithstanding the provisions contained in subsection (a) above, if the applicant desires to erect within such setback area a fence greater than four-foot (4’) in height, the fence permit applicant may apply to the City Commission for a special fence permit to erect a fence not in excess of six-foot (6’) in height.”

SPECIAL FENCE PERMIT CONSIDERATIONS

1. *Compatibility: The proposed fence shall be compatible with existing surrounding land uses and general character of the area.*

The fence encloses the playground of the day care facility. The new fence will replace the existing four (4) foot high chain link fence. There are no changes in land use. The new fence, therefore, maintains neighborhood compatibility and is designed consistent with the DDG criteria.

2. *Orderly development: The proposed fence shall be consistent with efficient and orderly development and growth patterns and shall not interfere with the provision of public facilities and services.*

The proposed six-foot (6') high fence is consistent with the orderly development and growth patterns of this area.

3. *Traffic: The proposed fence shall not create any hazardous vehicle or pedestrian traffic conditions and shall be compatible with and promote the intent of the City to eliminate obstructions to motorists' views within the visibility triangle.*

The proposed location of the six-foot (6') high fence would not be an obstruction for vehicles or pedestrian traffic and does not impact the sight visibility triangle in accordance with Section 5.4(b) of the Zoning Code. The proposed fence abuts the entrance driveway to the church parking lot. No traffic will exit the driveway. As such, there is no cross traffic visibility issue.

4. *Screening and buffering: The proposed fence may provide such screening and buffering as necessary to minimize adverse impacts on surrounding land uses.*

The fencing will not impact surrounding land uses.

5. *Permit duration: The duration of time the proposed fence shall remain standing may be limited as necessary to minimize adverse impacts on surrounding land uses.*

No time limitation is recommended.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the Special Fence Permit (SFP-08-01).

ACTION REQUIRED BY CITY COMMISSION:

City Commission shall **APPROVE, APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS, OR DENY** the requested Special Fence Permit (SFP-08-01).

Attachments: Fence Detail
Site Plan
Ariel

Finials



Pawn



Knight



Fleur-De-Le



Spear

Accessories



Ring



Initials



Butterfly



Ball

Ornamental & Standard



Maine #203



Floridian #303



Californian #200



Long Islander #300



Carolina #403



#300 w/Double Pickets



Alamo #400



#600 w/Pawn Finials



Vanderbilt #502



Astor #501

The Elegance of Aluminum...



Security with a Touch of Elegance

Ornamental aluminum fencing offers you maintenance-free fencing with a guarantee for life not to rust, peel, chip or crack as long as you own your fence.



Its beauty and elegance will last a lifetime.



Designer Gates by Ideal

There are many gate options available to suit your needs.

All gates are made of aluminum and welded for durability.

Make a statement with your entrance or walkway.



Estimating & Ordering

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