

**Hearing Officer Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2015**

A meeting of the City of Yuma's Hearing Officer was held on Thursday, September 24, 2015, at City Hall Room 190, One City Plaza, Yuma, AZ.

HEARING OFFICER in attendance was Pamela Walsma.

CITY OF YUMA STAFF MEMBERS present included Bobette Bauermann, Principal Planner; Robert Blevins, Principal Planner; and Stephanie Guzman, Administrative Assistant.

Walsma called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Walsma approved the minutes of January 8, 2015; and April 23, 2015.

Walsma stated that VAR-11021-2015 was being withdrawn by the applicant.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

VAR-11031-2015: *This is a request by Coal Creek Consulting, LLC, on behalf of the City of Yuma, for a variance to increase the maximum height from 40 feet to 65 feet for a personal wireless communications facility disguised as a palm tree (monopalm) in the High Density Residential (R-3) District. The property is located at 1028 W. Colorado Street, Yuma, AZ.*

Robert Blevins, summarized the staff report, recommending **APPROVAL**.

QUESTIONS FOR STAFF

None

APPLICANT/APPLICANTS REPRESENTATIVE

Steve Ciolek, 2520 E. University Drive, Tempe, Arizona, was available for questions.

Walsma asked if the applicant was in agreement with the Conditions of Approval. **Ciolek** said yes.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DECISION:

Walsma granted the requested Variance, subject to the Conditions of Approval in Attachment A, finding that the four criteria have been met.

VAR-11045-2015: *This is a request by Esther Mellon for a variance to reduce the east side yard setback from 7' to 5' for an existing dwelling and to increase the front yard fence height from 3' to 5' in the Low Density Residential (R-1-6) District. The property is located at 245 W. 22nd Place, Yuma, AZ.*

Bobette Bauermann, Principal Planner, summarized staff report recommending **APPROVAL**.

QUESTIONS FOR STAFF

None

APPLICANT/APPLICANTS REPRESENTATIVE

Ester Mellon, 245 W. 22nd Place, Yuma Arizona, was available for questions.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DECISION

Walsma granted the requested variance, to reduce the east side yard setback from 7' to 5' for an existing dwelling and to increase the front yard fence height from 3' to 5', subject to the Conditions of Approval in Attachment A, finding that the four criteria have been met.

Walsma adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

Minutes approved and signed this 22nd day of October, 2015.



Pamela Walsma, Hearing Officer