

MINUTES
LARSON & NELSON RAMP VARIANCE PUBLIC HEARING

NOVEMBER 24, 2014

Mayor Jeff Thompson opened the Public Hearing at 6:31 p.m. Council members present were Kay McDaniel, Donavan Mayer, Jean Soine, and Gene Beavers. Others present were Renee Eckerly, City Administrator; Ron Mergen, Public Works Director; Jennifer Welling, Administrative Assistant/Zoning Specialist; Chuck DeWolf, Bolton & Menk, Inc.; Ellarry Prentice, Press; JoLyn Lindquist, Social Media Specialist; Neil Herzberg, Paul Wegner, Police Chief; Brady Klingfus, Emergency Management Director; and Bill Ludwig, Liquor Store Manager.

The City has received a Variance Application submitted by Matt Larson & Elise Nelson, of 314 Washburne Ave. They wish to construct a handicapped accessible ramp for their handicapped daughter; however, they do not meet the 20' front setback off of Washburne Ave. The proposed ramp is 18' from the front setback; therefore, they are requesting a 2' variance. The necessary 2' cannot be met due to the ADA building code requirement for the ramp. The Planning Commission has reviewed this and recommends approval.

Spooner suggested changing the setback language in the ordinance or make an exception for ramps.

There being no further comments or questions the Public Hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.