Minutes of A Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals for the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, January 31st, 2023

A meeting of the Westwood Hills Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) was held on the 31st day of January 2023. Public notice had been properly given for the meeting. The meeting was held to discuss the appeal to the Westwood Hills Planning Commission's decision regarding the construction plans for a detached garage at 2018 W. 50th Street.

Present were BZA members Mike Coffman, Liz Judy, and Daniel Swint. Also, present were Michael and Carolyn Hill (the owners of 2018 W. 50th Street) and Giovanni and Carolyn Masé. The meeting was called to order by Mike Coffman a few minutes after 7 PM.

The Masés voiced a request: Could the Hills' proposed garage be moved forward to the house or attached to the house to leave the backyard open? After voicing their concerns to the homeowners, they requested to leave and then left.

Subsequent discussion by the BZA committee members focused on the current construction plans and the lawyer's interpretations of the code regarding two and three car garages. The code (5-307(h)(7)) states that "Solid, slab, two or three car garage doors are not allowed". The lawyer's opinion was relayed to the Hills as well. A vote was taken with all three members granting a variance to allow for a single double-wide garage door on a two-car detached garage. At approximately 7:40 PM, Liz Judy requested a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Mike Coffman and unanimously approved.

Daniel Swint, BZA Member