

SEC. 13-1-193 DECISION AND DISPOSITION OF CASES.

- (a) **Time of Decision.** The Board of Appeals shall render its decision either at the termination of the hearing or within thirty (30) days thereafter and shall notify the parties in interest and the Zoning Administrator in writing of its decision.
- (b) **Form of Decision.** The final disposition of an appeal or application shall be in the form of a written decision or order signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Appeals. Such decision shall state the reasons for the Board's determination with findings of fact and conclusions of law and shall either affirm, reverse, vary or modify the order, requirement, decision or determination appealed, in whole or in part, dismiss the appeal or grant or deny the special exception, conditional use or variance.
- (c) **Basis of Decision; Findings.** At the conclusion of a hearing, the Board should reduce to writing its findings of fact and conclusions of law regarding the proper interpretation and application of the Zoning Code.
- (d) **Vote Required.** All orders or decisions of the Board of Appeals granting a variance, exception or conditional use or reversing any action or order of the administrator require the affirmative vote of four (4) members. Whenever only four (4) members of the Board are present and the vote stands three (3) to one (1) in favor of the appellant or applicant, the matter shall be laid over for consideration and final determination at the next meeting of the Board or a special meeting notice and called for that purpose.
- (e) **Conditions.** Variances or conditions imposed in any permit shall be stated in the decision or order embodying the Board's decision and shall also be set forth in the building, conditional use or occupancy permit issued under that order by the Zoning Administrator. A permit shall be valid only as long as the conditions upon which it is granted are observed. Whenever the Board grants an application or appeal affecting the use of any premises, such authorization shall be deemed revoked unless the owner, occupant or his agent shall, upon request, file with the Board Secretary a written report certifying that all conditions or limitations imposed by the Board have been conformed to and maintained. Variances, substitutions or conditional use permits approved by the Board shall expire six (6) months after issuance if the performance of work is required and substantial work has not commenced.
- (f) **Filing of Decision.** Every order or decision of the Board of Appeals shall be immediately filed with the Secretary who shall thereupon forward the decision to the City Clerk-Treasurer and mail a copy to the applicant or appellant. Copies of decisions granting conditional used or variances in a floodplain, shoreland or wetland district shall be mailed to the district office of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.
- (g) **Reconsideration.**
 - (1) **Resubmission.** No appeal or application which has been dismissed or denied shall be considered again without material alteration or revision within one (1) year of the Board's decision, except pursuant to court order or by motion to reconsider made by a member voting with the majority or as provided in Subsection (g)(2) below.
 - (2) **Rehearing.** No rehearing shall be held except upon the affirmative vote of four (4) or more members of the Board upon finding that substantial, new evidence is submitted which could not reasonably have been presented at the previous hearing. Requests for rehearing shall be in writing, shall state the reasons for the request and shall be accompanied by necessary data and diagrams. Rehearings shall be subject to the same notice requirements as original hearings.