



## CITY OF DORAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

All residents, property owners and other interested parties are hereby notified of a **VIRTUAL ZONING WORKSHOP** on **Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 10:00 AM** with the applicant(s), administration and City staff participating via video conferencing.

Governor DeSantis' Executive Order Number 20-69 and Extension 20-150 suspended the requirements of Section 112.286, Florida Statutes and the Florida Sunshine Law, that a quorum to be present in person, and that a local government body meet at a specific public place. The Executive Order also allows local government bodies to utilize communications media technology, such as telephonic and video conferencing for local government body meetings.

**Public Comments:** members of the public that wish to provide comments may do so by emailing the City Clerk at [cityclerk@cityofdoral.com](mailto:cityclerk@cityofdoral.com). Comments must be submitted with your name and full address by **Wednesday, July 8, 2020**. The comments will be circulated to the administration, as well as remain as a part of the record for the meeting.

The following application will be considered:

**HEARING NO.:** 20-07-DOR-03

**APPLICANT:** James R. Williams, Jr., Esq. on behalf of Orbis Fortium, LLC. (The "Applicant")

**PROJECT NAME:** Shelton Academy

**PROJECT OWNER:** Gel Realty LLC

**LOCATION:** 9455 NW 40 Street Road, Doral, FL 33178

**FOLIO NUMBER:** 35-3028-015-0010 and 35-3028-015-0020

**SIZE OF PROPERTY:** +/- 4 acres

**PRESENT LAND USE:** Office and Residential

**PRESENT ZONING:** Industrial Commercial (IC)

**REQUEST:** The Applicant is proposing to develop the property into an educational facility with modifications to the façade, major renovations to the interior, and the addition of parking areas, athletic facilities and a two-story garage.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Lots 1 and 2, in Block 1 of "SWISS CHALET SUBDIVISION", according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 140, Page 79, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

### Location Map



**ZONING WORKSHOP PROCESS:** The zoning workshop consists of two sessions:

1. **First Session.** The first session of a zoning workshop shall provide a forum for members of the public to learn about proposed developments within the city. Developments may be presented to the public simultaneously, in several locations within the meeting site. During this session, members of the public are encouraged to ask questions and to provide feedback to the applicant about the proposed development. The applicant shall provide visual depictions, such as renderings, drawings, pictures, and the location of the proposed development. In addition, representatives of the applicant shall be available to answer questions that members of the public may have about the proposed development. The members of the City Council shall not be present during the first session of the zoning workshop. No meeting shall start before 6:00 PM Eastern Standard Time and shall take place at a time and date to maximize public participation.

2. **Second Session.** The second session of a zoning workshop shall provide a forum for the City Council to learn about the proposed developments discussed at the first session of the zoning workshop. No quorum requirement shall apply. Developments shall be presented by the applicants sequentially, one at a time, for the City Council's review and comment. The applicant shall again present visual depictions of the proposed development. In addition, the applicant shall be available to answer any questions that members of the City Council may have about the proposed development.

**No quorum requirement shall apply nor will any vote on any project be taken, but roll call will be taken, as it is a publicly noticed meeting.**

Information relating to this request is on file and may be examined in the City of Doral, Planning and Zoning Department located at **8401 NW 53rd Terrace, Doral, FL 33166**. Maps and other data pertaining to these applications are available for public inspection during normal business hours in City Hall. Any persons wishing to speak at a public hearing should register with the City Clerk prior to that item being heard. Inquiries regarding the item may be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department at 305-59-DORAL.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes If a person decides to appeal any decisions made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. This notice does not constitute consent by the City for introduction or admission of otherwise inadmissible or irrelevant evidence, nor does it authorize challenges or appeals not otherwise allowed by law. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Planning and Zoning Department at 305-59-DORAL no later than three (3) business days prior to the proceeding.

**NOTE:** If you are not able to communicate, or are not comfortable expressing yourself, in the English language, it is your responsibility to bring with you an English-speaking interpreter when conducting business at the City of Doral during the zoning application process up to, and including, appearance at a hearing. This person may be a friend, relative or someone else. A minor cannot serve as a valid interpreter. The City of Doral DOES NOT provide translation services during the zoning application process or during any quasi-judicial proceeding.

**NOTA:** Si usted no está en capacidad de comunicarse, o no se siente cómodo al expresarse en inglés, es de su responsabilidad traer un intérprete del idioma inglés cuando trate asuntos públicos o de negocios con la Ciudad de Doral durante el proceso de solicitudes de zonificación, incluyendo su comparecencia a una audiencia. Esta persona puede ser un amigo, familiar o alguien que le haga la traducción durante su comparecencia a la audiencia. Un menor de edad no puede ser intérprete. La Ciudad de Doral NO suministra servicio de traducción durante ningún procedimiento o durante el proceso de solicitudes de zonificación.

Connie Diaz, MMC  
City Clerk  
City of Doral

## FROM THE COURTS

# Perry Joins Exoneree in Wrongfully Jailed Compensation Fight



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**Former Texas Gov. Rick Perry is urging the state Supreme Court to side with a wrongfully convicted man who's fighting top Republican leaders over state compensation for his wrongful imprisonment.**

by Angela Morris

Former Texas Gov. Rick Perry is urging the Texas Supreme Court to side with a wrongfully convicted man who's fighting top Republican leaders over state compensation for his wrongful imprisonment.

In an amicus letter filed Thursday, Perry, who resigned last fall as U.S. energy secretary, gave his opinion on the case of Alfred Dewayne Brown, who appealed to the Supreme Court after the Texas Office of the Comptroller denied his request for compensation for the 12 years he spent on death row.

Perry's letter, written by Austin attorney Bill Jones, said that while he was Texas governor for 15 years, Perry's reputation was tough on crime. But that does not extend to "tolerating instances of unjust imprisonment," said the letter.

Perry signed the Tim Cole Act, the Texas law that provides for state compensation for people who were wrongly convicted and imprisoned.

Brown, who was falsely accused of murdering a Houston police officer, but declared innocent in 2019, is seeking compensation under that law. The comptroller denied that request, casting doubt on the legal process that Brown followed to reach his actual innocence finding.

"Gov. Perry has followed Dewayne Brown's turmoil ever since Brown was released from prison in 2015. The governor recoiled at the prosecutorial misconduct that deprived Brown and his lawyers of the exculpatory evidence that would ultimately set him free," the letter said.

Dan Rizzo, the prosecutor in Brown's case, is facing an attorney discipline lawsuit for allegedly withholding exculpatory evidence. Rizzo has denied the allegations and claimed he never saw the evidence in question.

Perry's letter said Brown is a classic example of why the state passed the Tim Cole Act. He deserves compensation, it said.

"Brown has been denied compensation based on the comptroller's second-guessing of a criminal judge's exercise of jurisdiction. This is not how the act the governor signed was designed to operate," said the letter.

The courts have the power to declare actual innocence, and here, both the prosecutor's office and a criminal court did that. An executive official shouldn't be allowed to override the innocence declaration, the letter said.

It added, "No amount of money can restore the years of liberty Brown has lost. But compensation can provide one small measure of redress for a man who bore the brunt of a wrongful conviction."

Perry's attorney, Bill Jones of The Jones Firm, didn't immediately return a phone call seeking comment.

Comptroller spokesman Kevin Lyons declined comment. Kayleigh Date, spokeswoman for the Texas Office of the Attorney General, which represents the comptroller's office in Brown's appeal, declined comment.

Susman Godfrey partner Neal Manne, who represents Brown pro bono, said he knew about a speech Perry gave a business group four years ago in which the ex-governor discussed Brown's case.

"We were delighted that Gov. Perry felt strongly enough about the issue and the justice of Mr. Brown's position that he was willing to communicate his views to the Texas Supreme Court," Manne said.

All of the high court justices know Perry, who wrote the letter as the then-governor who signed the Tim Cole Act, he said.

"My hope is that the court will give appropriate consideration to Gov. Perry's strong statement that the comptroller is not following the requirements of the Tim Cole Act here," Manne said. "It should have covered and does cover a case like Mr. Brown's."

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