## RESOLUTION

## CASE NO. HW-19-0001. BUSCH GARDENS HEIGHT WAIVER 2019

## **HEIGHT LIMITATION WAIVER**

- WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of James City County has adopted by Ordinance specific land uses that shall be subjected to a Height Limitation Waiver process; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Anthony Loubier has applied on behalf of SeaWorld Parks and Entertainment, LLC for a Height Limitation Waiver to allow for the installation of an attraction that is approximately 355 feet above finished grade (the "Attraction"); and
- WHEREAS, the Attraction will be constructed in its entirety on property zoned M-1, Limited Business Industrial, further identified as James City County Real Estate Tax Map No. 5140100009, and commonly known as "Busch Gardens;" and
- WHEREAS, the location of the highest point of the Attraction is depicted on the plan prepared by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., entitled "Busch Gardens Williamsburg-Height Waiver Sight Lines"; and
- WHEREAS, a public hearing was advertised, adjoining property owners notified, and a hearing conducted on Case No. HW-19-0001.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors finds that the requirements of Section 24-418(c) of the James City County Zoning Ordinance have been satisfied, in order to grant a Height Limitation Waiver to allow for the erection of structures in excess of 60 feet in height.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, does hereby approve Height Limitation Waiver HW-19-0001 to grant the applicant a 295-foot waiver to the height limitation requirements set forth in the James City County Code to allow for the erection of an attraction up to 315 feet tall from finished grade as described herein, pursuant to the following conditions:
  - 1. Plan: This Height Waiver shall be valid for a 295-foot waiver to the height limitation requirements set forth in the James City County Code to allow for the erection of an attraction up to 355 feet above finished grade (or up to 435 feet above mean sea level) (the "Attraction") on property zoned M-1, Limited Business Industrial, further identified as James City County Real Estate Tax Map No. 5140100009. The Attraction shall be constructed as generally shown on the plan prepared by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., entitled Busch Gardens Williamsburg-Height Waiver Sight Lines."
  - 2. <u>Lighting</u>: All lighting locations and specifications shall be shown on future development plans. Unless otherwise required by the Federal Aviation Authority or

necessary for safety purposes, installation of any lights on the Attraction at points above 60 feet in height or installation of lights that direct light upward to illuminate any part of the Attraction or surrounding theme park areas shall be prohibited, with the sole exception being that landscape-shielded "wall-washer" type fixtures may be installed to illuminate vertical (solid) wall surfaces related to the Attraction.

- 3. <u>Color Scheme</u>: The color of the Attraction at any point at or above 60 feet above finished grade shall be muted and designed to minimize visual impacts from Community Character Corridors and areas as defined in the Comprehensive Plan. A color scheme plan and color samples shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Director of Planning for consistency with this condition prior to the issuance of a Building Permit for the Attraction.
- 4. <u>Commencement of Construction</u>: Construction on the Attraction shall commence within 36 months from the date of approval of this Height Limitation Waiver or this Height Limitation Waiver shall be void. Construction shall be defined as the obtaining of permits for the construction of foundations and/or footings for the Attraction.
- 5. <u>Severance Clause</u>: This Height Limitation Waiver is not severable. Invalidation of any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or paragraph shall invalidate the remainder.

	VOTES			
ATTEST:		AYE	<b>NAY</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
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Teresa J. Fellows	SADLER	-		
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Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 11th day of June, 2019.

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