

verified, setting forth that such decision is illegal, in whole or in part, specifying the ground of the illegality. Such petition shall be presented to the court within thirty (30) days after the filing of the decision in the office of the board.

Upon the presentation of such petition the court may allow a writ of certiorari directed to the Board of Zoning Appeals to review such decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals and shall prescribe therein the time within which a return thereto must be made and served upon the relator's attorney, which shall not be less than ten (10) days and may be extended by the court. The allowance of the writ shall not stay proceedings upon the decision appealed from, but the court may, on application, on notice to the board and on due cause shown, grant a restraining order.

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall not be required to return the original papers acted upon by it, but it shall be sufficient to return certified or sworn copies thereof or of such portions thereof as may be called for by such writ. The return shall concisely set forth such other facts as may be pertinent and material to show the grounds of the decision appealed from and shall be verified.

If, upon the hearing, it shall appear to the court that testimony is necessary for the proper disposition of the matter, it may take evidence or appoint a referee to take such evidence as it may direct and report the same to the court with his findings of fact and conclusions of law, which shall constitute a part of the proceedings upon which the determination of the court shall be made.

The Court shall have power to affirm the decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals, or reverse the same, in whole or in part, and may remand any case for the entering of a proper order or for further proceedings, as the Court shall determine.

All issues in any proceeding under this section shall have preference over all other civil actions and proceedings.

The County Commissioners shall keep in a separate book all rules, regulations and restrictions adopted by them from time to time under the authority of this Act, and any amendments or supplements thereto, and shall cause copies to be printed and made available for general distribution. Any such printed copy, together with any amendments and supplements, when certified as accurate by the Chief Clerk of the County Commissioners, shall be deemed prima facie evidence thereof in any judicial proceedings in the State.

The County Commissioners shall have power to employ or authorize the employment of such officials, engineers, stenographers, secretaries or other assistants necessary for the proper administration of regulations and restrictions adopted under the authority of this Act; to pay, or provide for the