

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MINUTES

The Board of Architectural Review held its regularly scheduled meeting on, August 2, 2007 at 15 N. Cameron Street, at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Rouss City Hall.

PRESENT: Belkin, Bandyke, Saunders, Farris

ABSENT: Lore, Rockwood

EX OFFICIO: Minor, Butler, Major, Masters, Nelson, Griffin

STAFF: Smith, Shickle, Diem, Grisdale, Van Diest, Moore, Helm, Taylor

VISITORS: Don Crigler, Benjamin Robb, Erin Truban, Drew VanLarken, Joe Kalbach, Alicia Pearson

MINUTES

Mr. Belkin, seconded by Mr. Farris, moved to approve the minutes from the July 5, 2007 and July 19, 2007 meetings.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Belkin, seconded by Mr. Farris, motioned to move BAR-07-61 to the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Belkin requested to see the paint color proposed for BAR-07-65. Mr. Robb presented a sample of the color to the board.

Items in the Consent Agenda were approved 4-0-0.

Mr. Don Crigler requested BAR-07-48, BAR-07-49, BAR-07-50, BAR-07-51, BAR-07-52, and BAR-07-53 be tabled. He stated that the Rose Foundation is working with the Preservation of Historic Winchester to come up with an agreement on how much of the properties should be restored and how much should be demolished.

Mr. Farris, seconded by Mr. Bandyke, moved to table the BAR cases as requested. The motion passed 4-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

BAR-07-67 Request of Drew VanLarken for approval of replacing the gutters at 319 Amherst Street

Mr. VanLarken stated the current gutters are half round but they are severely rusted through. He would like to replace them with the K style due to the cost compared to the

half round. He provided several pictures of homes of the same age and style in his neighborhood that have the K style gutters.

Mr. Belkin stated K style gutters have not been approved in the past. The half round gutters are appropriate. He added the cost differential is not an issue because the house is in the Historic district.

Mr. Bandyke asked if the board has approved half round aluminum gutters. Mr. Belkin stated that they have been approved. Mr. Bandyke asked if that would be an option to be considered.

Mr. Saunders suggested amending the application to half round, pre-painted white aluminum. Mr. VanLarken agreed to the change.

Mr. Farris, seconded by Mr. Bandyke, motioned to approve BAR-07-67 as amended to half round, pre-painted white aluminum. The motion passed 4-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

BAR-07-21 Request of TuTu Pink for the approval of paint color at 24 E. Piccadilly Street

Ms. Pearson submitted a new paint chip of a pink color she would like to use on the building.

Mr. Saunders asked if she will be painting the whole store pink. Ms. Pearson stated she plans to paint the whole store pink but is open to suggestions to make adjustments.

Mr. Belkin showed a presentation on why the BAR makes decisions based on the guidelines. In his presentation, he also made a suggestion to have the area of color reduced and a piece of painted wood added to fill in the area below the brick.

Mr. Saunders stated that he noticed the building owner has removed the top pieces. Mr. Diem stated the owner is rehabbing those pieces and plans to put them back up.

Mr. Saunders stated that the BAR is trying to keep the City as nice as possible in the corridor enhanced areas. The BAR is not discriminating one color from another. He asked the applicant to try to reduce the amount of pink. He stated the BAR is willing to work with her. He added the BAR is not opposed to the color; they are just trying to keep the corridor as nice as they can.

Mr. Belkin stated the intent is for the area above the store should match the neighboring store. Ms. Pearson stated her concern that the paint on the other side is peeling and would look bad if it is matched. Mr. Belkin suggested talking to the other side. Ms. Pearson stated that her concern is if she paints her store to match the other store, what will happen

if the new owners next door decide to change the color. Mr. Saunders stated the new owners would have to come to the BAR and they would keep it like for like.

Mr. Farris, seconded by Mr. Bandyke, motioned to table BAR-07-21. The motion passed 4-0-0.

Mr. Diem stated that as a last minute addition to the agenda, Joe Kalbach from First Presbyterian Church would like to request using brick pavers instead of concrete for discussion purposes.

Mr. Kalbach stated that half of the sidewalk has to be removed because of the trees. He would like permission to use brick pavers as a replacement instead of concrete.

Mr. Saunders asked if the BAR has ever considered sidewalks that belong to the City. Mr. Diem stated the guidelines do not specify between public right of way and private sidewalks.

Mr. Belkin asked if it will be real brick pavers or stamped concrete. Mr. Kalbach stated they would use real brick pavers.

Mrs. Shore arrived at 4:30 pm.

Mr. Saunders asked that it be put in the minutes that the BAR agrees the sidewalk should be replaced with brick pavers. He also asked Staff to look and see where the board falls into the big scheme of approving these items.

OTHER DISCUSSION

Mr. Belkin stated that at the Planning & Development meeting, Jim Deskins reported on the new parking lot adjacent to the George Washington Hotel. Mr. Belkin stated that the BAR will want to communicate with the Winchester Parking Authority to insure the new garage fits into the character of the district. He presented a draft letter that he proposed sending to the WPA from the BAR.

Mr. Diem stated he had nothing to report from Staff.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 pm.