

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Board of Architectural Review held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, December 6, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Rouss City Hall, 15 North Cameron Street.

POINTS OF ORDER

PRESENT: Chairman Tom Rockwood, Tim Bandyke, Patricia Jackson, Bob Pinner, Peter Serafin, Don Crigler, Kevin Walker.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Aaron Grisdale and Irene Terrill

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes -- November 15, 2012.

Mr. Pinner moved to approve the minutes with one correction.

Mr. Bandyke made a second to that motion.
The motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Bandyke moved to put BAR-12-592 on the Consent Agenda with a few comments.
Mr. Crigler made a second to that motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

BAR-12-592 Request of Alec Bouldin (Shandin Properties) for a Certificate of Appropriateness for removal of aluminum front awning and aluminum wrapping for the property located at 414 South Cameron Street.

Mr. Bandyke moved to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for BAR-12-592 as submitted.
Mr. Crigler made a second to that motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

BAR-12-590 Request of Shenandoah Personal Communications, LLC (Shentel) for a Certificate of Appropriateness for installation of wireless antennas for the property located at 119-129 North Loudoun Street.

Lynn Koerner, the applicant, presented details regarding the site selection for the downtown area. The Taylor Hotel fly tower will have cabling going up through the interior and then going through to the exterior of the building where the cabling will be mounted and painted to match the brick wall.

Mr. Koerner said the State Historic Preservation Office requires that the mounts be placed at least two and one half (2 ½) feet minimum from the corners of the building. The paint color used will be SW-6341 and a sample was provided to the Board. He confirmed that a small GPS antenna will be on the tip of one of the other antennas and it also will be painted to match the brick.

Mr. Koerner stated the proposed antennas are each 10 inches wide X 4 inches thick X 5 feet long, rectangular in shape. The face of each antenna will be approximately 13 inches from the brick.

He said the initial plan was to mount the antennas on the roof of the building which stands at 85 feet. However, the SHPO office did not approve of that visual appearance, and preferred the face of the building for mounting the antennas.

The signal will communicate with (3) other wireless antenna sites on Cork Street, Berryville Ave, and at National Fruit on Fairmont Avenue.

These six antennas will take care of downtown wireless capacity for Sprint with Shentel as an affiliate. Two will be located on the west face, two on the north face, one on the south face, and one on the east face.

Chairman Rockwood asked if additional carriers might ask to mount more antennas on this structure in the future, and asked on what basis can the Board refuse those requests.

Mr. Bandyke asked if the locations can be leased to other carriers.

Mr. Koerner said no, the locations cannot be leased to other carriers, and if more antennas are needed in the future that Shentel would submit a new application to the Board.

Mr. Gridale stated that both Federal statute and City zoning ordinance encourage co-locations to minimize the sheer number of locations City-wide. He said there is potential for future antennas at this site. He stated that the Board determines whether the appearance is consistent with the Historic District. Because this property has received historic tax credits, he said the section 108 review is required.

Mr. Koerner stated that the FCC also requires a review in compliance with the National Historic agreement section 106. A consultant determines if there will be any adverse effect from the location of the antennas.

Mr. Crigler moved to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness to Shentel for installation of wireless antennas as presented.

Mr. Bandyke made a second to that motion.
The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

BAR-12-593 Request of Geoffrey Throckmorton for a Certificate of Appropriateness for façade improvement for the property located at 24-26-28 East Piccadilly Street.

Mr. Crigler abstained from the discussion.

Mr. Bandyke moved to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness to Mr. Geoffrey Throckmorton for the exterior renovation of 24-26-28 East Piccadilly Street to consist of:

Removal of existing brick on the façade below the proposed new roof, and replacing them with new full brickwork of the type called “103 Georgian brick” made by the manufacturer Cushwa, which matches the existing brick color, and that the mortar must match the color of the old existing mortar above it on the façade.

A shed roof or a hip roof, metal and as submitted, will be added running the complete length of the building, going to the sides of the building. There should be no reveal on the sides. If it is a shed roof there must be siding on the two ends of the building. The siding cannot be T1-11 or plywood. It must be smooth with no wood grain showing. The roof will take off just below the sill of the second story windows. Material will be actual wood, not faux wood. The overhang of the roof will project not more than five feet with a pitch that is appropriate.

The new lights under the awning will be recessed.

Existing doors will remain and be painted either Dark Bronze or Charcoal Gray according to the samples provided. Color of doors will match whichever color is chosen by the applicant for the roof.

Sherwin-Williams 'Concord Buff SW-7684' (yellow) is the color for all new woodwork trim.

Mr. Serafin made a second on the motion.
The motion carried by voice, Mr. Crigler abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS

In reference to two preceding applications Mr. Crigler requested the current survey and a copy of the old survey from 1976, so that the photos could show how a building looked in 1976 compared to its current appearance.

Mr. Grisdale agreed that they could be provided.

ADJOURN

Chairman Rockwood adjourned the meeting.