

## BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MINUTES

The Board of Architectural Review held its regularly scheduled meeting on, April 21, 2011, at 15 N. Cameron Street, at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Rouss City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Tim Bandyke, Patrick Farris, Tom Rockwood, Catherine Shore, Don Crigler and Bob Pinner.  
**ABSENT:** None.  
**STAFF:** Will Moore and Angela Walsh  
**VISITORS:** Jesse and Stephanie Levenson, Aaron Vollmer, and Lawton Saunders

### MINUTES

*Mr. Rockwood moved, seconded by Mr. Bandyke, to approve the minutes of April 7, 2011 as presented.*

*Motion passed unanimously 6-0.*

### CONSENT AGENDA

*Mr. Rockwood moved, seconded by Chairman Farris, to move BAR 11-224 to the Consent Agenda.*

*Motion passed unanimously 6-0.*

**BAR 11-224** Request of Lawton Saunders to revise a ramp previously approved at 13 E Clifford St.

*Mr. Rockwood moved, seconded by Mrs. Shore, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.*

*Motion passed unanimously 6-0.*

### NEW BUSINESS

**BAR 11-215** Request of Aaron Vollmer to install railing on front porch and gates at each end of the property at 322 N Braddock St.

Mr. Vollmer explained that the gates are for security. The house was vacant for a period of time, so people have been walking through their yard and skateboarding on their porch. The gates will be solid. The plan is to make them from cedar because he does not want them to be heavy. The driveway gate will open from the center, inward. In the future they plan to add a remote opener, but for now, it will just be latched. There will be two (2) doors spanning approximately 5'2" painted to match the trim on the house.

Mr. Bandyke was concerned with the weight of the driveway gate. Even cedar would be heavy with panels that size and will sag over time. He suggested rollers on the bottom of the doors or some sort of support on the back side of the gate.

Mr. Vollmer explained that the driveway slants. He did not think rollers would work there but the supports were a good idea.

Mr. Rockwood was concerned about putting railing up on a porch that did not have it there to begin with. He asked if there were any historic photos of the house.

Mr. Vollmer stated that he had not seen any pictures of the house but he was sure that the concrete porch was not original to the house.

Mr. Bandyke stated that he had no issues with the railing whether it was there before or not; however he suggested using a wider turned baluster. He asked that once the type of railing was decided on that it be brought back for review and approval.

*Chairman Farris moved, seconded by Mr. Crigler, to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness to **BAR 11-215** with the following comments:*

*The north gate handle will be black metal (if any), the south gate design can be either of the ones submitted and metal posts are acceptable. **Conceptual approval of the porch rail was given. The applicant must return with samples and dimensions of balusters for final approval.** Motion passed unanimously 6-0.*

**BAR 11-223** Request of Lawton Saunders to construct a new building behind 146 148 N Loudoun St.

Mr. Saunders explained that the project is under review for tax credits, meaning that the Board did not have to approve it. He wanted the Board to be aware of the plan in case the credits were not approved. Also, the reconstruction of the back wall will have to be done before the tax credits will be approved, therefore the Board will have to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for that portion in order for the construction to proceed.

Chairman Farris stated that there are two (2) clear parts to this application; reconstruction of the back wall and conceptual approval on the new construction.

Mr. Saunders stated that conceptual approval was not the incentive for the application but he wanted to get it.

Chairman Farris asked if anyone wanted to make any comments on the new construction.

Mr. Crigler stated that there were other ways to grant roof access instead of using the metal stairs. He suggested using a roof hatch.

*Tom Rockwood moved, seconded by Bob Pinner, to conceptually approve **BAR 11-223** with the following comments:*

*South elevation of the existing building to be painted to match the brick. Exterior features and details of new construction to be approved at a later date.*

*Motion passed unanimously 6-0.*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**BAR 11-198** Request of Stephanie Levenson to erect a pavilion at 29 W Cork Street.

Mr. Bandyke asked that the wood trusses be painted or stained.

Mr. Levenson stated that once it is cured it will be stained or painted to match the building. They also plan to add trim to make it more aesthetically pleasing.

Mr. Crigler asked about the underside of the pavilion roof that will be visible from the street. He wanted to know if it would be left open or closed in.

Mr. Levenson stated that it would be closed in because they wanted to add ceiling fans in case they decided to close it in later.

Mr. Bandyke suggested using bead board or hardy plank. He asked about the straps tying the 6x6 boards. He wanted to know if they would be covered as well.

Mr. Levenson stated that he would do whatever the Board suggested.

Mr. Crigler explained that they could give suggestions but cannot design it for him. He suggested that conceptual approval be given but that the applicants come back with details on the project.

*Mr. Crigler moved, seconded by Mr. Bandyke, to table **BAR 11-198** with the following comments:*

*Conceptual approval for the structure was given for the size, configuration, and location on the lot. The applicant will need to return with details for ceiling panels, exterior finishes and roof material.*

*Motion passed unanimously 6-0.*

### **OTHER DISCUSSION**

None

### **ADJOURN**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:09PM.