

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW MINUTES

The Board of Architectural Review held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 15 N. Cameron Street, at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, Roush City Hall.

PRESENT: Farris, Bell, Saunders, Shore, Belkin, Lore

ABSENT: McCabe

VISITORS: Mr. David McGill, Mr. Charles Sweeney

MINUTES

Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mrs. Shore moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2007 meeting. The motion passed on a vote of 4-0-1 with Mr. Farris abstaining.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Belkin suggested moving items BAR-07-12, BAR-07-13, BAR-07-14 and BAR-07-15 from New Business to the Consent Agenda. The Board unanimously agreed.

BAR-07-12 – Request of Mountain Trails, LC for approval of a freestanding sign located at 212 East Cork Street.

BAR-07-13 – Request of Jonathan Gemmill for approval of a fence at 12 West Leicester Street.

BAR-07-14 – Request of John Massie for approval of a wall at 703 South Washington Street.

BAR-07-15 – Request of Cynthia Abramo for approval of a side walk café located at 156 North Loudoun Street.

NEW BUSINESS

BAR-07-11-Request of Charles Sweeney for approval of exterior siding (trim), doors, and a handicap ramp at 222 South Kent Street was moved to the end of the agenda.

BAR-07-16 – Request of Cynthia Ambramo for approval of a projecting sign located at 156 North Loudoun Street.

Mr. Lore arrived at 4:37 pm.

Mr. Belkin, seconded by Mr. Saunders moved to approve BAR-07-16 request of Cynthia Ambramo for approval of a projecting sign located at 156 North Loudoun Street with the

condition that the sign would be made of wood and hung from a metal scroll bracket. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0-0.

BAR-07-17 – Request of David & Lisa Gill for approval of demolition and new construction located at 810 Amherst Street.

Mr. Gill was present at the meeting to answer questions.

Mr. Gill stated that the shed would be located at the far corner of the property.

Mr. Bell asked if the building would be a metal pre-fabricated unit with a metal roof. Mr. Gill stated that the shed would not be pre fabricated, rather it would be stick built on site. Mr. Bell expressed some concern that the vertical metal siding would not be supported by BAR guidelines. Mr. Gill said that the siding could be cedar to match the recent addition.

Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Belkin, moved to approve BAR-07-17 request of David and Lisa Gill for approval of demolition and new construction located at 810 Amherst Street as presented with wood siding to match the house, wood doors and wood windows. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0-0.

BAR-07-18 – Request of David & Lisa Gill for approval of addition, door screens, and paint at 810 Amherst Street.

Mr. Gill was present at the meeting to answer questions. He stated that the addition would match the side porch and it would be on the back of the house.

Mr. Bell stated that there is a strong geometric theme throughout the house and questioned whether the applicant would be willing to change it. Mr. Gill stated that the entire main roof would be replaced.

Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Lore moved to approve BAR-07-18 request of David and Lisa Gill for approval of addition, door screens and paint at 810 South Amherst Street as presented with the option of adding a gable roof with a slope to match the existing back end of the house. The motion passed on a vote of 5-0-0.

BAR-07-11- Request of Charles Sweeney for approval of exterior siding (trim), doors, and a handi-cap ramp at 222 South Kent Street.

Mr. Sweeney was present at the meeting to answer questions.

Mr. Bell stated that the primary issue on the trim is that Mr. Sweeney is using $\frac{3}{4}$ board which gets lost on the building. The neighbors are using $\frac{5}{4}$ board. Mr. Saunders said it could be left the way it was, while Mr. Belkin felt the corner board could be painted to make it stand out. However, Mr. Sweeney stated that the owner wanted the building to be white on white.

Mr. Diem provided pictures of the original barbershop pictures.

Mr. Sweeney stated that he wanted to put a handicapped ramp in front as opposed to steps because the steps would go directly to the sidewalk. Mr. Saunders stated that the ramp won't meet the guidelines of five feet, however there is a clause that if it is technically infeasible to put on a handicapped ramp you would not have to provide one. Mr. Sweeney said he couldn't put it on the side because of the grade. Mr. Bell stated that if the ramp was put on the front it would be a dominant feature.

Mr. Farris left the meeting at 5:01 pm.

Mr. Sweeney stated that the landing would be made of pressure treated wood. Mr. Bell instructed Mr. Sweeney to determine what would fit and return to with the plans. Mr. Belkin stated that his personal preference would be to not have pressure treated wood and that Trex material might look better. Mr. Saunders stated there is a new paint on the market that can be used on pressure treated wood. Mr. Bell said that Mr. Sweeney could be build it out of pressure treated wood and it could be painted at a later date; however a sketch of the porch would need to be taken to the building official.

The Board determined that the doors/trim are acceptable, however, Mr. Sweeney would need to return with a drawing of the porch.

Mr. Belkin, seconded by Mr. Shore moved to table BAR 07-11 request of Charles Sweeney for approval of exterior siding (trim), doors, and a handi-cap ramp at 222 South Kent Street. The motion passed on a vote of 4-0-0.

Mr. McCabe and Mr. Bell's appointment expires in April. They will not be seeking reappointment.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:37 pm.