

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Department of Planning, Preservation & Development Courthouse Area Design Overlay Zone Review Board

Jim Gray Mayor Derek J. Paulsen, Ph.D. Commissioner

July 29, 2015

Minutes

Call to Order: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Council Chamber, LFUCG Center, 200 East Main Street

Voting Members: Luther Andal – Chair

Graham Pohl – Vice-Chair

Martin Summers

Non-Voting Member: Commissioner Derek J. Paulsen, PhD - Design Review Officer

Absent: Billie Dollins

Kevin Atkins

Staff: Elizabeth Overman – Department of Planning

Tracy Jones – Department of Law

Jonathan Hollinger - Department of Planning

Guests: Rebecca Burnworth

Avena Joyce Jim Ross Wayne Lollis

I. Attendance

Chair Andal asked the Board and staff to sign the attendance sheet.

II. Approval of the May 20, 2015 Minutes

BOARD ACTION

On a motion made by Vice-Chair Pohl, seconded by Mr. Summers, the Board voted unanimously (2-0) to approve the May 20, 2015 minutes. Chair Andal did not vote since there was no tie.

III. Fayette County Courthouse

Jonathan Hollinger made a presentation regarding the process for approving changes as the old Courthouse is renovated, and asked the Board to grant permission for approvals to be made by the Courthouse Area Design Review Board (CADRB) staff. He noted that most changes will be to the interior rather than the exterior. The Board agreed to make a motion to approve the request, with the caveat that substantial exterior design changes be brought to the Board for approval.

BOARD ACTION

On a motion made by Mr. Summers, seconded by Vice-Chair Pohl, the Board voted unanimously (2-0) to authorize the Courthouse staff to make approvals, with the condition that substantial exterior changes are brought before the full Board. Chair Andal did not vote since there was no tie.

IV. Applications for Authorization Permits

A. Case No. 2-2015 – 129 W. Short St., Nash Marshall Attorneys

 To review an application for an Authorization Permit to make changes to the façade including adding new windows, adding trim between the windows, deleting the first floor recess and making it flush, and returning the cornice and wood storefront.

Architect Rebecca Burnworth made a presentation and answered questions from the Board members. The Board voiced support for the proposed changes.

BOARD ACTION

On a motion made by Mr. Summers, seconded by Vice-Chair Pohl, the Board voted unanimously (2-0) to approve the Authorization Permit. Chair Andal did not vote since there was no tie.

B. Case No. 3-2015 – 200 W. Main St., Harvey's

• To review an application for an Authorization Permit to remove the existing aluminum storefront façade and adjust the opening to try to preserve and expose the existing cast iron columns. The awning backboards will remain, but the awning will change to panel style awnings. The storefront system shall be replaced with hand-built steel frame doors/windows that open fully to reveal a countertop bar. These doors may pivot, swing or open accordion style.

Architect Rebecca Burnworth made a presentation and answered questions from the Board members. Business owner, Avena Joyce, and building owner and architect, Jim Ross, made supportive comments for the application.

BOARD ACTION

On a motion made by Vice-Chair Pohl, seconded by Mr. Summers, the Board voted unanimously (2-0) to approve the authorization permit, with Commissioner Paulsen's condition that the new façade be contextually sensitive to the existing building, especially as

the accordion style glass doors pertain to the kickplate, and that a drawing of the kickplate be submitted for staff approval before proceeding. Chair Andal did not vote since there was no tie.

C. Case No. 4-2015 – 109/115 N. Mill St., Buddha Lounge

• To review an application for an Authorization Permit to remove the aluminum storefront system and replace it with a steel window and door system. The color of the metal will be charcoal. The existing placement of the doors and windows will remain, except that the windows shall go full height and pivot. The door will go full height and be side swinging.

Architect Rebecca Burnworth made a presentation and answered questions from the Board members.

BOARD ACTION

On a motion made by Vice-Chair Pohl, seconded by Mr. Summers, the Board voted unanimously (2-0) to approve the Authorization Permit with two conditions: (1) that a final drawing including the transom be submitted for staff approval before proceeding; and (2) that the large panel that infills the current opening be recessed such that the panel be consistent with the glaze and dimension. Chair Andal did not vote since there was no tie.

D. Case No. 5-2015 – 152 Market St., Belle's Bar

• To review an application for an Authorization Permit to create a rooftop patio so that customers may be served on the rooftop.

Architect Rebecca Burnworth made a presentation and answered questions from the Board. The Board voiced concern about the submitted plans and asked Ms. Burnworth to return to the August 19th meeting with more extensive drawings and photos. Ms. Jones said the correct terminology for the Board's request would be a continuance of Case No. 5-2015 to the August 19th meeting.

BOARD ACTION

On a motion made by Vice-Chair Pohl, seconded by Mr. Summers, the Board voted unanimously (2-0) to continue Case No. 5-2015 to the August 19th meeting. Chair Andal did not vote since there was no tie.

V. Adjournment

Having completed all business, Chair Andal declared the meeting adjourned.

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