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MINUTES OF THE ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMISSION
VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
APRIL 11, 2019

ACC Commissioners present (4):
Cliff Town, Chairman
F. Dirk Heidbrink
John Albrecht
Robert Katz

ACC Commissioners absent (3):
David Menn
Lori Jordison
Christopher Urbanczyk

Village Staff Present:
Tom Poupard, Director of Development & Planning
Jackie Clawson, Building Official
Swati Pandey, Senior Planner
Colleen Brunner, Recorder

Others Present:
Nick Prager, Landmark Visibility Solutions
Tony DeLuca, Fast Signs
Donna De Luca, Fast Signs
Kadir Cicek- Eataco

Call to Order
Chairman Town called the meeting to order in the Terrace Room of Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane, at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call
Roll was called. A quorum was present.

Review of Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 14th, 2019 minutes, with the following changes. On a voice vote the motion passed.
Page 3, line 15, change to the Park District has not yet embraced the GRC2.
Page 3, line 22, Member Urbanczyk was not present, but members did not think he was serious with this comment. Is this related to all permits or those applying for incentives?
Page 3, lines 43-44, it should say member Albrecht will compile a list of candidates for the ACC to consider at the next meeting before forwarding to the Village Board.
Page 3, line 39, At the December 2018 C & S Committee meeting, several GRC2 items were identified as initial targets.
Public Comments Regarding Items Not on the Agenda

None

VGO District Permit Requests

a. ACC-19-09: 1155 Church Street- Replacement Wall Sign (Lux Salon)

Swati Pandey recapped the project as a Level II design review. The proposed sign is consistent in terms of size, location and color with the adjacent businesses in the shopping plaza. The script font does vary.

Member Katz had some concern about the silicone patching of the previous sign and it’s long term repair. Nick Prager stated the wall has already been patched so it is not an issue.

A motion was made to approve the signage at Lux Salon as submitted. The motion was seconded and all approved.

b. ACC-19-10: 1350 Shermer Road- Replacement Wall Sign (Eataco)

Ms. Pandey stated that the proposed signage requires a Level II Design review. The Applicant proposed two new wall signs on the building – on the south and east facade. They propose one wall sign on the south elevation above the windows. The sign is hollow white channel letters with black returns with green faux neon LEDs for illumination. The logo is acrylic next to the main sign and is also illuminated. The east signage will have white channel letters mounted directly on the façade with the acrylic logo above it. The sign on the east façade will be illuminated externally through the existing gooseneck lighting on the wall. The applicant will keep the existing awnings (previously approved) but remove the vinyl letter relating to the previous business.

Member Katz questioned why the returns were black and not white like the adjacent businesses and east signage. Mr. De Luca and Mr. Kadir (owner) explained that the black returns will actually contain the light spillage and it’s a more urban look, which they are going for.

Member Town thought the black awning with the black return was fine. He also thought the signage on the east façade should be raised in height so people don’t bump into or damage the lighting. Other members agreed. The Applicant stated that was acceptable.

Member Albrecht asked them to consider retrofitting the existing goose neck lights to LED if they already are not LED. The applicants stated that was a good idea and had no issue with such a request.

A motion was made to approve the signage with the following conditions;
   1. Retrofit the gooseneck fixtures to LED.
   2. Applicant work on adjusting the height of the east sign.
   3. The removal of the awning vinyl lettering.

The motion was seconded and all approved.
Proposed Changes to ACC Application Requirements – 3-dimensional views of new buildings

Tom Poupard passed out an application with marked up proposed changes. The ACC questioned if the addition of energy conservation could be added to the application. They all agreed 3D plans would be beneficial.

Mr. Poupard would like to think of specific questions and will present it back to the ACC at a future meeting.

Update on 2018 Building Code Series and Preparation of Local Amendments

Mr. Poupard indicated that the building code amendments are not yet ready for review by the ACC. This topic is delayed due to the increased volume of applications in the Planning Department.

New Single Family Home Elevations- None

New Business

None.

Old Business

Mr. Poupard said he would lie to update the ACC on the Northbrook Court redevelopment proposal. A construction phase map was supplied by the developers at Northbrook Court. It color coded the stages of permitting and construction.

Member Albrecht suggested several readily achievable building and code related GRC2 goals that ACC could suggest to the Trustees. The group were comfortable with the list. The Village has already implemented some of the goals or conversations have begun on additional energy efficiency. Mr. Poupard will include more details in the future.

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Brunner, Recorder