

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 22, 2017

A meeting of the Design Review Commission was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017, at the Franklin Municipal Building, Franklin, Massachusetts. Members present were Chris Baryluk, Vice Chairman, Nancy Pendleton (Coleman), Claudine Silverman. Also in attendance were Samuel Williams and Chrissy Whelton.

Chris Baryluk, Chairman opened the meeting at 7:30 PM.

1. Mint Dental – 150 Emmons Street – Wall Signs and addition to freestanding

Cam Alfonso of Signs by Cam represented Mint Dental with a proposal to install wall signs in three locations on the front and back of building and one on the existing freestanding sign. Signs are urethane and will have a green background with gold-leaf lettering and boarder. Sign will have the same color scheme as the existing monument sign for Horace Mann Square.

There was very little discussion and the DRC voted.

Motion: Silverman. Coleman Seconded: voted (3-0-0) to **Approve** the sign package as submitted.

2. Franklin Music, Movement & Mindfulness – 22 Main Street – Window Lettering

Cam Alfonso of Signs by Cam represented Franklin Music, Movement & Mindfulness with a proposal to remove old window lettering and install new window lettering on the Main Street side.

There was very little discussion and the DRC voted.

Motion: Coleman. Silverman Seconded: voted (3-0-0) to **Approve** the sign package as submitted.

3. Dean College – 17 East Central Street – Doorway Signs

Cam Alfonso of Signs by Cam represented Dean College with a proposal to install wall signs above the doorway of the two entrances to identify them. One facing the street and one facing the parking lot. Signs are Aluminum with raised pvc. Signs will have no lighting.

There was very little discussion and the DRC voted.

Motion: Coleman. Baryluk Seconded: voted (3-0-0) to **Approve** the sign package as submitted.

4. La Cantina Winery – 357 Union Street – Awnings

Cam Alfonso of Signs by Cam represented La Cantina Winery with a proposal to install 2 awnings. One above the double window and one above the entrance door. Awnings are black with white lettering. Very clean looking. No lighting. Coleman asked that the blue hanging sign in window be taken down.

There was very little discussion and the DRC voted.

Motion: Silverman. Coleman Seconded: voted (3-0-0) to **Approve** the sign package as submitted with a recommendation of removing the blue sign in window.

5. 205 East Central Street – 205 East Central Street – Monument Signs

Cam Alfonso of Signs by Cam represented 205 East Central with a proposal to remove existing monument sign and replace with a whole new one with a more modern look. PVC panels. Signs have LED Down lighting. Baryluk mentioned that one of the sign plates on the new proposed monument sign is not on the existing sign. Chestnut Cove sign should have been another application however the board looked over the sign and will allow it. Baryluk mentioned that in the future if there is a new sign being added to a new monument sign we will need a separate application. Concerns were mentioned about the brightness of the down lighting and a dimmer was recommended. Concerns of how out in the open and plain the area around the sign is and Coleman highly encourages some landscaping with flowers, bushes etc.

Motion: Baryluk. Coleman Seconded: voted (3-0-0) to **Approve** the sign package with the condition of adding a dimmer to the down lighting, adding some landscaping, shrubs, flowers, etc. and that going forward and application will be given for all new signs.

Other Business:

- Meeting minutes from August 8, 2017 meeting were approved (3-0-0).
- Board would like a follow up from Bryan Taberner on his discussion with the Zoning Enforcement Officer regarding the existing signs:
 - Franklin Heights (realty sign no longer needed)
 - Pond Street (Large commercial sign)
 - 13 Main Street (Acapulco and other business signs are deteriorated).

Motion to adjourn. All in favor 3-0-0.

Adjourned 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Chrissy Whelton