

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

September 26, 2017

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A meeting of the Design Review Commission was held on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, at the Franklin Municipal Building, Franklin, Massachusetts. Members present were Mark Fitzgerald, Chairman, Chris Baryluk, Vice Chairman, Nancy Pendleton (Coleman), Claudine Silverman and Associate Member James Barto. Also in attendance was Chrissy Whelton.

Mark Fitzgerald, Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

1. Montage @ Brookview Rd– 10 Brookview Rd– Free Standing Temporary Sign

Tom Betts represented Montage @ Brookview with a proposal for a free standing sign that is already installed at the entranceway of the complex. The sign has pressure treated posts painted white and is set back the proper footage amount from the street. Sign does not have any lighting. Silverman asked that the sign stay in decent condition until a permanent sign is installed.

Motion: To accept the sign proposal as submitted. Motioned by Baryluk. Second by Coleman: voted (5-0-0).

2. Montage @ Brookview Rd– 10 Brookview Rd– Free Standing Permanent Sign

Tom Betts represented Montage @ Brookview with a proposal for a Permanent free standing sign at the entrance way. Members were concerned as there was a sign for the stone wall approved on the original site plan and believed there to be too much signage and no real definitive plan. They asked the presenter to submit another application with a true representation of the signs that will be installed.

Motion: To table the sign proposal and have resubmitted in 2 weeks. Motioned by Baryluk. Second by Barto: voted (5-0-0).

3. Qinetiq- North America– 130 Constitution Blvd- Free Standing Sign and Awning

Scott Spaulding represented Qinetiq North America with a proposal to reface an existing double sided free standing sign at the entrance way. Scott mentioned the sign is not illuminated. No address on the sign just the business name. Die bond panel to fill window above doorway behind navy cloth white lettered awning that will be anchored into mullions.

Motion: To accept the sign proposal as submitted. Motioned by Baryluk. Second by Barto: voted (5-0-0).

4. 9 Round– 1000 Franklin Village Drive- LED Channel Letter set sign

Cam Afonso represented 9 Round with a proposal to install an LED Channel Letter sign. Channel painted to match building. LED lighting is under what is allowed. No issues.

Motion: To accept the sign proposal as submitted. Motioned by Barto. Second by Coleman: voted (5-0-0).

Other Business:

- Meeting minutes from September 12, 2017 meeting were approved (4-0-1). James Bartro recused himself as he was not at the September 12th meeting.
- Chrissy informed the members of her follow up with Bryan and Gus on the Following:
Request for Enforcement. Regarding existing signs in three locations in Town requiring Town staff attention:
 - Franklin Heights (realty sign no longer needed) Chrissy informed the board that the sign and was remaining as more homes will be built in the next phase. The board asked that it be repaired as it is in bad shape and covered with orange tape.
 - Pond Street (Large commercial sign) Chrissy asked per the Building Inspector as to which sign was in question. The board said it is the Oil Painting sign further down past the Elks and is old and unappealing.
 - 13 Main Street (Acapulco and other business signs are deteriorated). Chrissy advised per the Building Inspector that Acapulco's will be relocating in a year or so. The member stated that the sign is dangerous and could fall on a pedestrian.Chrissy stated she would discuss with Zoning Enforcement Officer/ Building Inspector.
- Claudine asked that the Town assist on having Walgreens Sign fixed. The "w" and the "a" on the lighted sign are flickering.

Motion to adjourn. All in favor 5-0-0.

Adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Chrissy Whelton