

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

April 24, 2018

A meeting of the Design Review Commission was held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at the Franklin Municipal Building, Franklin, Massachusetts. Members present were Mark Fitzgerald Chairman, Chris Baryluk Vice Chair, Claudine Silverman, Nancy Pendleton and Associate Member Sean Preston. Also in attendance was Chrissy Whelton.

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

Mark Fitzgerald authorized Associate Member Sean Preston to vote.

**1. Daddario Hardware**— 523 West Central Street—Building and Pylon Sign

Brian from Central Mass Sign Guys represented Daddario with a sign proposal to update existing pylon sign by moving down and changing the format of Daddario Hardware and adding Benjamin Moore to the top. The commission would like the applicant to change over to LED lighting if the internals were to be updated/changed. The board is concerned about the total square footage of signage on the building. It looks like original signage has increased since last approved. Applicant was told to refer to the Sign Bylaw 185-20 to review the square footage allowed and to return with the total calculations before the Building sign can be approved.

**Motion:** To **Approve** the Pylon sign as submitted. Motioned by Fitzgerald. Second by Silverman: Voted (5-0-0).

**Motion:** To **Table** the Building sign until total square footage calculations are received. Motioned by Fitzgerald. Second by Silverman: Voted (5-0-0).

**2. Envoy Mortgage**—6 Main Street—Building, Projecting and Door Sign

No representation present.

**Motion:** To **Table** the sign package until representation is present. Motioned by Fitzgerald. Second by Pendleton: Voted (5-0-0).

**3. Franklin Downtown Partnership**—9 East Central Street—Building Signs

Lisa Piana and Beth Wierling represented the Franklin Downtown Partnership with a sign proposal for Sign and Ladybug Sculpture on the Left side of the building facing the train bridge. Cam Afonso of Signs by Cam said they will be attached by brackets and masonry screws. Beth asked if it would be ok to change the light blue "Shop Local" wording to white and outlined in black. The board said yes that was fine.

**Motion:** To **Approve** the sign package as submitted with the "Shop Local" color change. Motioned by Baryluk, Second by Pendleton: Voted (5-0-0).

**4. Presidential Arms—491 West Central Street—Freestanding Sign**

Cam Afonso of Signs by Cam represented Presidential Arms with a sign proposal to replace the existing Freestanding sign with sandblasted urethane wood grain sign with raised letters.

**Motion:** To **Approve** the sign package as submitted. Motioned by Preston, Second by Pendleton:  
Voted (5-0-0).

**5. 205 East Central Street—205 East Central Street—Building Sign**

Brad Chaffee represented 205 East Central Street LLC with a proposal to add cedar panel siding to the building on the back left corner with the address "205" going vertical. The board considers this as part of the original permit and has decided this is not something that has to be approved by the Design Review Commission as it is not considered a sign. However they would like to note that the applicant was told that no signage must ever be attached to this paneling and if light was to be changed or added a photometric site plan would be needed.

**6. 14 Ruggles Street. Mixed Use Apartment—14 Ruggles Street—Site Plan**

Dana Franco, property owner presented his site plan again to build a 1780 Square foot, 2 ½ story, 4 unit mixed use Apartment building. The first floor will be for offices. Dana came before the board once before and was approved. The board's only concern before was the positional placement of the air conditioners which will be underneath the stairs and not in plain sight. The board and applicant agreed on the colors of the building to be Montana Suede on the top and Sand on the bottom and the Trim and Windows will be white PVC board.

**Motion:** To **Recommend** the site plan as presented with Colors and Designs. Motioned by Preston, Second by Silverman: Voted (5-0-0).

**Other Business:**

Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2018 meeting were approved (5-0-0)

Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2018 meeting were approved (5-0-1) (*Abstained: Baryluk*)

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

Adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chrissy Whelton