APPEARANCE REVIEW BOARD

MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2015

OPENING SESSION:
- Vice - Chairman Mike Beale called the meeting to order at 2:01 P.M.
- Shaniqua Rose, ARB Recording Secretary, conducted the Roll Call.
- Determination of a quorum was confirmed.
- Vice - Chairman Mike Beale read the Welcome, General Rules of Order and the Appeals process.

MINUTES
A motion was made by Matt Taylor and seconded by Daisy Staniszkis to approve the March 19, 2015 ARB Meeting Minutes, revising the first Board concerns on ARB2015-00011 to read “consider using another material” and “the fifth Board concern to read “a less suburban look.” The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
- There were no announcements.

CONSENT AGENDA
1. 315 East Robinson Street

Owner/Applicant: Hiw-KC Orlando LLC/Greg Davis
Location: 315 East Robinson Street
District: 5
Project Planner: Doug Metzger

ARB2015-00017 Request for a Major Certificate of Appearance Approval for replacement of a high rise sign and panel in front directory sign.

Recommended Action: Staff recommends APPROVAL of the request with the following conditions:

1. The signs shall be generally located and installed as shown in the proposal.
2. Any damage or blemishes on the building façade remaining from the removal of the Old Florida high-rise shall be repaired or patched and finished to match the existing color finishes of the façade.
3. The text of high rise signs must illuminate white at night.
4. Minor changes from this approval must receive additional staff review, or full Board review if significant.
5. ARB approval does not constitute approval of a building sign permit, and does not constitute approval of the site design and building modifications. All relevant permits must also be obtained prior to installation of the sign.
Mike Beale declared a conflict.

**A motion was made by Matt Taylor and seconded by Daisy Staniszkis to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously with Mike Beale abstaining from the vote.**

REGULAR AGENDA: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 400 South Orange Avenue – ARB2015-00022 – Pavement Color Change

Doug Metzger presented the proposed color revision to the pavement color on Orange Avenue in front of City Hall Plaza to the Board, noting that the proposal was currently being considered as a Minor Review. Per ARB guidelines, an alteration to existing streetscapes is an ARB Minor Review.

The Board voiced the following concerns:
- The City needs to keep in mind the new color would require more maintenance due to tire marks, oil stains and traffic lines.
- The new color flows with the City Commons Plaza, but it does not flow with the Dr. Phillips Center as originally planned.
- With the new color, there needs to be more safety measures for pedestrians.
- There is no explanation as to what materials would be used for the new color and the durability. If the stamped asphalt is just going to be repainted than it would require a lot more maintenance.
- Since this is a significant change to the design of the initial project, it should be brought back to the Board as a major review and not a Minor Review.

Kyle Shephard, Assistant City Attorney II, explained that the ordinance for this Board was written to mimic the Historic Preservation Board and that if the members feel that the Minor Review process should be rewritten, then that is something he can look into.

Richard Forbes, Historic Preservation Officer, explained that if a project came before the Historic Preservation Board as a Major review and if a major change like this proposed change came back in as a Minor Review, the application can go either way (Minor or Major), but it would most likely be taken back to the Board as a Major Review.

Mr. Metzger concluded the discussion stating that he would review the case with senior staff to determine whether the case should be changed to a Major Review and brought back to the Board in May.

OTHER BUSINESS:

ARB Minor Reviews completed since the March ARB Meeting:

1. ARB2015-00019 – 211 N. Lee Avenue – Demolition
2. ARB2015-00020 – 250 N. Orange Avenue – Repair Wall Post Demolition
3. ARB2015-00012 – 54 W. Church Street – Graffiti Junktion Fence
4. ARB2015-00021 – 106 E. Church Street – Homeless Jesus Statue

The Board members wanted to know if there is any information on when the 54 W. Church Street Plaza Phase II would be coming back to the Board. Mr. Metzger explained that there are several plans
in the works and that it will come before the Board, as there is a condition in the initial approval that any renovations to the plaza must be brought back for a Major Review.

OLD BUSINESS:
1. Attendance
Doug Metzger explained that the canceled January Board meeting does not count against the Board members attendance and according to code they have to be present 25% of the meetings, which means they can miss up to three meetings.

ADJOURNMENT: VICE - CHAIRMAN MIKE BEALE ADJOURED THE MEETING AT 2:45 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE APPEARANCE REVIEW BOARD WILL BE THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015 AT 2:00 PM.

STAFF PRESENT

Walter Hawkins, Acting Executive Secretary
Kyle Shephard, Assistant City Attorney II
Doug Metzger, City Planning
Shaniqua Rose, Board Secretary

Kenneth Pelham, City Planning
David Bass, Assistant City Attorney
Richard Forbes, Historic Preservation Officer

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