# BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW Regular Meeting Tuesday, August 6, 2002

Mr. Treffinger called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Attendance: Mr. James Treffinger, Chairman; Mrs. Laverne Stebbins; Mrs. Martha Sheley; Mr. John Carr. Absent: Ms. Heidi Miller; Mr. Jack Gramann; Mr. Charles Graham. Also present: Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, Planner.

#### Motion to Excuse:

MOTION: Mrs. Sheley moved to excuse Mr. Gramann and Mr. Graham from the meeting as each gave prior notice to the Planning Department. Mr. Carr seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

### Approval of minutes:

MOTION: Mrs. Sheley moved to approve the minutes of May 7, 2002, Board of Architectural Review meeting, as written. Mrs. Stebbins seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0-1 with Mr. Carr abstaining.

MOTION: Mrs. Stebbins moved to approve the minutes of July 16, 2002, Board of Architectural Review work session, as written. Mr. Carr seconded the motion. The motion was approved 2-0-2 with Mr. Treffinger and Mrs. Sheley abstaining.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Shrimplin informed the members that Mr. Loren Gannon has indicated that he will be available on Tuesday, September 17, 2002, to present the second of a three part series concerning creation of a National Register District.

Mr. Shrimplin stated construction has begun on Dr. Bhat's medical office building at 101 South Main Street. He stated when the improvements are complete, it appears it will have nice curb appeal.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## A Coffee Affair - Board of Architectural Review Special Approval

Mr. Shrimplin reviewed the Special Approval application submitted for A Coffee Affair located at 4 West Franklin Street which is the southwest corner of Main and Franklin Streets. The zoning on the property is Architectural Preservation District, APD. The request is for a new wall sign to be placed on the west wall. He explained the ordinance allows a sign to have a single background color plus two (2) copy colors for text and graphics. A third (3<sup>rd</sup>) copy color may be used for outlining text.

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The applicant is requesting approval of a sign showing one (1) background color and four (4) copy colors. The proposed colors include brown as the background color; white for the word "Coffee"; gold for the words "A"and "Affair" as well as the trim; green for the coffee branch; and red for the coffee beans.

Staff believes the proposed sign colors are compatible with each other and would be appropriate in the APD keeping with the spirit and intent of the color chart. It was, therefore, recommended the application be approved as submitted.

Mr. Rick Monsipapa, A Coffee Affair, was present for the review of the application. He stated the sign has been designed with the company logo which will be used in future locations.

Mr. Carr asked if the sign will be lighted.

Mr. Monsipapa stated sign will be mounted on the wall adjacent to the porch where there is an existing light. He stated they intend to see what type of light the existing fixture provides before requesting any additional lighting.

MOTION: Mrs. Sheley moved to approve the Special Approval application submitted for A Coffee Affair requesting a wall sign as submitted. Mr. Carr seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 4-0.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Shrimplin stated the report prepared by Earl Reeder and Associates has been received for the John Tate House located on the St. Leonards property on Clyo Road. He reviewed the report briefly stating this information will be used to consider the structure for landmark designation. Staff was pleased with the thoroughness and professionalism of the contents of the report.

#### POLL OF MEMBERS

Mr. Carr asked if progress had occurred on the sign ordinance and color chart.

Mr. Shrimplin stated the revisions were made to the sign ordinance as directed by the Board, and with the absence of Ms. Miller, he did not have any additional information concerning the sign color chart.

Mrs. Stebbins stated that Craig's Barber Shop on North Main Street is using flourescent lighting to light up the entire front of the building at night which is not in character of the APD.

Mr. Shrimplin stated staff will research the situation.

Mrs. Sheley asked about the work being done on the Las Piramides property.

Mr. Shrimplin stated the owner is working on an application to include all existing work as well as a future project to expand the patio. The Board will review that application at that time.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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