

CENTERVILLE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW (BAR)
Regular Meeting Minutes
J.V. Stone Council Chambers
Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Mr. Ross called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair Ed Ross, Vice Chair Tom Ovington, Richard Hoback, Frank Holloway, and Chris Papakirk. Also present were City Planner Ian Vanness, Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman, Development Director Erik Collins, Councilmember Duke Lunsford, and Assistant Clerk of Council Donna Fiori.

Members Absent: Joyce Ray-Brown

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

MOTION: Mr. Hoback made a motion to excuse Joyce Ray-Brown; seconded by Mr. Holloway. The motion passed 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the following BAR meeting had been distributed prior to this meeting:

Regular Meeting: August 1, 2023

MOTION: Mr. Holloway made a motion to approve the minutes as distributed; seconded by Mr. Ovington. The motion passed 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

**P-2023-0026 – APD Exterior Improvement – Illuminated Sign
Matt Hiatt, Meridien
28 West Franklin Street**

Mr. Vanness presented the staff report, providing the property description, project summary, application summary, standards of approval, staff analysis, and recommendation. The applicant proposes adding a 6.5' x 1.25' (8.125 square feet) internally illuminated wall sign on the building's rear elevation. The sign contains the establishment's name "meridien" in all lower-case letters. The letters are white with black siding and are outlined with a tan (Timber Bark) color that matches the building.

Internally illuminated signs may be permitted in the Architectural Preservation District (APD) if specifically approved by the BAR per the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). The proposed wall sign's internal illumination is the only sign component seeking BAR approval.

Staff recommends approval with the following one (1) condition:

1. For the sign to be permitted under UDO 9.51 (H) (5) (b) (v), the property owner(s) shall execute a public parking agreement with the City of Centerville before a final zoning permit for the wall sign will be issued.

Jane Fiehrer, of Sign Connection was present at the meeting on behalf of the applicant.

Applicant representative, Board members and staff discussed:

- Location of illuminated sign on rear façade near the entrance.
- Location of other new signage for the building and a pre-existing sign variance for west façade.
- Pleasing appearance of the proposed sign.
- The lighting is white LED.

There being no other comments or discussion, Mr. Ross called for a motion.

MOTION: Mr. Ovington made a motion to approve application P-2023-0026 as presented by staff; seconded by Mr. Holloway. The motion passed 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Vanness spoke about:

- The City is looking for electors of Centerville to fill multiple open positions for the Charter Commission and one open position for the Board of Architectural Review. Notify staff of any interested parties.

Mr. Ovington inquired on the progress of the Benham’s Grove project. Mr. Ross shared the house and barn painting is complete and bidding is out for the new building. Mr. Ross shared an update on potential stone for the new building.

The board members and staff discussed the status and progress of the Karras property and Uptown building improvements.

Mr. Ross shared information on the builder of 28 W. Franklin Street stating it was built in 1950 and noted a meeting of the mural committee is scheduled for tomorrow.

The next meeting of the Board of Architectural Review will be on September 5, 2023, in the J.V. Stone Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, Mr. Ross adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted By: Donna Fiori

Ed Ross
Approved – Chairperson

11/15/2023
Date