

CENTERVILLE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW (BAR)

Regular Meeting Minutes

J.V. Stone Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Mr. Ross called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair Ed Ross, Vice Chair Tom Ovington, Frank Holloway, James Neidhard, Chris Papakirk, and Joyce Ray-Brown. Also present were City Planner Ian Vanness, Development Director Erik Collins, Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman, Councilmember Bill Serr and Assistant Clerk of Council Donna Fiori.

Members Absent: Richard Hoback.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

MOTION: Mr. Holloway made a motion to excuse Mr. Hoback from the meeting; seconded by Mr. Ovington. The motion passed 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the following BAR meeting had been distributed before this meeting:

Regular Meeting: February 6, 2024

MOTION: Mr. Papakirk made a motion to approve the minutes as distributed; seconded by Mr. Holloway. The motion passed 6-0.

OLD BUSINESS

P-2023-0033 - APD Exterior Improvement – Mural

Peter Haynal

21 West Franklin Street

(Tabled on February 6, 2024)

MOTION: Mr. Holloway made a motion to remove from the table application P-2023-0033, the APD Exterior Improvement request for a mural submitted by Peter Haynal; seconded by Mr. Ovington. The motion passed 6-0.

Peter Haynal, representing Westerly Rentals, LLC., is seeking approval to install a mural on the east façade of the building located at 21 West Franklin Street. This mural proposal comes directly from the property owner and is distinct from the CCIC's Centerpieces Mural Program. The proposed mural, designed by Brian Wilson of Wilson Advertising, features an octopus holding various items representing nearby businesses. The application underwent review by the BAR during meetings held on November 14, 2023, and February 6, 2024, but was tabled to allow the applicant time to investigate the City's Centerpieces Mural Program. The applicant is still considering that option, and there have been no alterations to the original application.

Staff recommends approval without condition.

Mr. Vanness stated that the applicant was unable to attend this meeting.

Board members deliberated on the location of the proposed mural and its architectural compatibility with

the surrounding area. They considered factors such as the visual impact of the mural on the building and its surroundings, whether the design harmonizes with the architectural style of the neighborhood, and whether it enhances or detracts from the overall aesthetic appeal of the area.

Some members expressed dissatisfaction with the design of the mural but it was noted that the Board's role is not on the artwork itself but in approving the location and architectural compatibility for this design. It was discussed that the tentacles in the mural incorporated the windows which creates architectural compatibility with the building.

MOTION: Mr. Neidhard made a motion to approve application P-2023-0033, the APD Exterior Improvement request for a mural at 21 West Franklin Street; seconded by Mr. Papakirk. The motion passed 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR'S AWARD FOR PRESERVATION

Mr. Vanness reviewed award categories/criteria, a listing of previous winners, and photos of the 2024 Planning Department nominees.

Nominees:

- 199 North Main Street (Whit's Custard)
- 61 West Franklin Street (Manna)
- 28 West Franklin Street (Meridien)
- 101 West Franklin Street (The Brunch Pub)

Members discussed the merits of the nominees remarking on the accomplishments of each candidate. The Board noted Whit's Custard had the most dramatic change. Discussion occurred that nominees not chosen this year could still qualify for the award in 2025. No additional nominees were brought forward by the Board.

MOTION: Ms. Ray-Brown made a motion to award the 2024 Mayors Award for Preservation to 199 North Main Street for Excellence in Rehabilitation; seconded by Mr. Holloway. The motion passed 6-0.

Vice-Chair Appointment

In accordance with the Unified Development Ordinance, the Vice-Chairperson shall be appointed for a 1-year term of office by the Chairperson. Chair Ed Ross appointed Tom Ovington for a 1-year term as Vice-Chairperson.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Vanness spoke about:

- Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee updates. Ed Ross and Chris Papakirk are participating members.
- Comprehensive Plan public engagement.

Mr. Vanness, Mr. Collins and the Board members discussed updates on Uptown and surrounding projects.

Mr. Holloway provided an update on Dr. Hoback's recovery.

The next meeting of the Board of Architectural Review will be on June 4, 2024, in the J.V. Stone Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, Mr. Ross adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Submitted By: Donna Fiori

Ed Ross
Approved – Chairperson

7/3/2024
Date