

**SUMMARY NOTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2007
VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD**

On Monday, November 12, 2007 at the Northfield Village Board Room, 361 Happ Road, the Architectural Commission met at 7:00 P.M. to consider two issues:

Members in Attendance:

Pat Karr, Chairperson
Todd Berlinghof
Juergen Fuss
Steve Hirsch
Patricia Leonard

Members Absent:

Tom Jennings
Steve Page

OTHERS PRESENT: Linnea O'Neill (see attached sign-in sheet).

Chairperson Karr requested approval of the Summary Notes of the October 9, 2007 Architectural Commission meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leonard, Seconded by Commissioner Hirsch to approve the Architectural Commission Summary Notes of October 9, 2007.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 5

Pat Karr
Todd Berlinghof
Juergen Fuss
Steve Hirsch
Patricia Leonard
Motion Carried

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2

Tom Jennings
Steve Page

ISSUE #1: Consideration of a request for approval of permanent signage for Haussmann Brasserie Restaurant located at 305 Happ Road, submitted by Haussmann Brasserie.

Jackie Pluton spoke before the Commission requesting approval of permanent signage. Chair Karr asked why the restaurant was named "Haussmann". Mr. Pluton explained that Haussmann is the name of the architect and city planner for the City of Paris. Since Chicago is well-known for its architecture, he felt this name would be fitting. Chairperson Karr and given and passed samples of the proposed awning and colors to the Commission members.

Commissioner Berlinghof verified that there is only one awning with a sign being proposed. Mr. Pluton indicated yes, on the south side.

Commissioner Hirsch asked if there was additional signage besides the wall sign, the awning sign and the sign panel for the existing pole sign being proposed. Mr. Pluton indicated no. He said the wall sign will be lit from the bottom, the same way 'Three Tarts' signage is lit.

Commissioner Fuss questioned the sign materials. Mr. Pluton indicated it is a flat metal sign which will be attached to the building. Commissioner Fuss felt that since the Three Tarts sign was three dimensional, that the proposed one dimension sign would reflect too much light with it being lit from the bottom. Commissioner Berlinghof suggested using a diffuser on the light. Mr. Pluton explained that this is the traditional look they are after and that it has worked well in Evanston.

Commissioner Leonard questioned whether the color on the sign should be the same color as the awning. Mr. Pluton said their aim was to compliment the awning color, not necessarily match it. They hope to open the first week of February.

There being no further discussion, the following motion was made:

A motion was made by Commissioner Berlinghof, Seconded by Commissioner Fuss to approve the permanent signage and lighting as submitted.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2

Chairperson Pat Karr

Tom Jennings

Todd Berlinghof

Steve Page

Juergen Fuss

Steve Hirsch

Patricia Leonard

Motion Carried

ISSUE #2 Consideration of a specific winter banner design as proposed by the Northfield Chamber of Commerce for the Streetlight Banner Program.

Nada Becker, Executive Director of the Northfield Chamber of Commerce and Jim Igoe were present to discuss the banner design. She indicated that the proposed blue design was in the Commissioners' packets. She passed around the brackets to be used which match the poles. The size of the proposed banner is 24" x 48" and they will run on about every fourth pole on Central going south and three poles south of Willow. She also passed an IDOT map to the Commissioners which indicated which poles will have the banner. The Chamber of Commerce recommended one color for the banner, a sample of which was shown by Mr. Igoe.

Commissioner Fuss asked if the banners would be reusable. Ms. Becker indicated that they plan to use them for approximately three years.

There being no further discussion, the following motion was made:

A motion was made by Commissioner Berlinghof, Seconded by Commissioner Fuss to approve the signs as submitted.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2

Chairperson Pat Karr

Tom Jennings

Todd Berlinghof

Steve Page

Juergen Fuss

Steve Hirsch

Patricia Leonard

Motion Carried

Other Business:

#1: Discuss proposed sign face change for Smith Barney at 245 Waukegan Road.

Gene King of Doyle Signs was present and indicated they are proposing a panel change for the existing blue Smith Barney ground sign. The new panel is beige with the addition of the word "citi".

There being no further discussion, the following motion was made:

A motion was made by Commissioner Berlinghof, Seconded by Commissioner Fuss to approve the Smith Barney sign as submitted.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2

Chair Pat Karr

Tom Jennings

Todd Berlinghof

Steve Page

Juergen Fuss

Steve Hirsch

Patricia Leonard

Motion Carried

#2: Discuss request for additional metal panel on the Northview Bank and Trust ground sign at 245 Waukegan Road.

Ed Synek of Sign X, Inc. was present before the Commission to explain the additional Wayne Hummer metal panel to the existing Northview Bank & Trust

ground sign. The non-illuminated sign will be mounted on the brick under the address. The address will be changed to white.

Commissioner Berlinghof questioned the materials. Mr. Synek indicated the panel is 1" in depth with flat letters. The lettering will be gold and red. The panel itself will be the same brown color as the existing Northview Bank & Trust panel. Commissioner Fuss noted that the existing panel will be faded in comparison to the new panel.

There being no further discussion, the following motion was made:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hirsch, Seconded by Commissioner Berlinghof to approve the additional Wayne Hummer panel as proposed.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2

Chair Pat Karr

Tom Jennings

Todd Berlinghof

Steve Page

Juergen Fuss

Steve Hirsch

Patricia Leonard

Motion Carried

There being no further issues to discuss upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Berlinghof, seconded by Commissioner Hirsch and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

HGM 11/13/07

Approved 2/11/08