

**DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
CITY OF WILLOUGHBY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 @7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Paul Garcia; Dan Volpe; Adam Brown; Bill Henrich; John Perkovich, Chairman
ABSENT: None
OTHERS: Vicki Grinstead, Secretary

Chairman Perkovich called the in-person meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Chris & Molly Smith
4306 River St.

**Restore front porch &
add seating area**

Mrs. Smith, 4306 River St., Willoughby, OH is representing this application for the restoration of their front porch and adding a seating area, for her residence at 4306 River St., Willoughby, OH 44094.

Mrs. Smith said they would like to restore the front porch. She said one of the sandstone support blocks moved and shifted the entire front porch. They want to restore it back to the way it was but sturdier. There was another porch addition next to the original porch and neither of them were even, so they would like add decking and connect the porches and also add a small concrete patio for additional seating.

Chairman Perkovich wanted to clarify that new deck boards would be stained, and the railings/pillars would be painted, and Mrs. Smith said that is correct.

Mr. Garcia asked which stamped concrete design they prefer, and Mrs. Smith said they have not yet decided. Chairman Perkovich said the motion will reflect that either design for the stamped concrete is acceptable.

Mr. Henrich moved to approve the restoration of the front porch with the addition of a seating area for the Smith residence, 4306 River St., Willoughby, OH 44094 as submitted but giving the option of either design for the stamped concrete and Mr. Brown seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. Henrich; Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Chairman Perkovich
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion Carried: Approved

Finestra Gallery
4076 Erie St.
(Rep.- Edward Sajovic, EJS Designs)

**Replace front windows (2nd fl.),
New front awning w/signage,
Paint mullions on front window
(1st fl.), New rear awning w/signage,
Non-illuminated projecting sign (frt.)**

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Edward Sajovic, of EJS Designs is representing this application for Finestra Gallery, 4076 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094.

Mr. Sajovic said there are many options presented but they still have not decided on the window façade design. He said the second story windows are in disrepair and need replaced. He said Mark and Lisa Longo are the new building owners. He said on the lower half of the building the aluminum trim or mullions will be painted to sync with the second story. They will do the same with the second story entry to the left of the Finestra Gallery. He will use a brown paint color for the trim and mullions.

Mr. Sajovic said his clients prefer the rounded windows for the second story as shown in one of renderings he presented. He said the replacement windows will be Pella windows. He said since the current windows are square, this could present a design challenge. He said they would also like to replace the skin of the front awning as well as the awning over the back stairwell. They would like to also add an awning to the back of the building. They would also be adding a projecting sign to the front of the building. Mr. Sajovic said he presented the rounded windows and the same shape square windows in a brown or medium brown color.

Chairman Perkovich said they will not be able to vote on the signage this evening, so they will only be discussing the windows and awnings. Mr. Sajovic said he would like the boards insight on the design of the signage. He said he needs to provide more information on signage dimensions to the building department for review.

Chairman Perkovich said he likes the color scheme ideas but does not prefer the arched second floor windows and believes the building would take on a different look which would be a detriment. Mr. Volpe said he echoes Chairman Perkovich's comments on changing the shape of the windows because of the architectural features brought out by the existing windows. He said he is fine with either one of the brown color tones presented. Mr. Brown said he agrees with the previous comments made by the other board members with keeping the current window shape but likes the colors presented.

Chairman Perkovich said has no issues with the projecting sign in the front of the building as long as it meets the code requirements.

Mr. Sajovic said the front awning and awning over the back door are similar. They would like to add the rear awning with signage to identify the business and guide patrons to the rear entrance. Chairman Perkovich said he prefers a solid color for the awnings as opposed to the stripes. He said the signage will be more prominent on a solid awning. He told Mr. Sajovic he needs to have a color and design picked out to present at the next meeting. Mr. Sajovic said he would like the board to vote on the windows with the color palette and the painting of the mullions. There was some discussion of adding window grids to the upper windows and the board felt it would be too busy. Chairman Perkovich said if they wanted to add one grid line at a later date, they could present a rendering and the board could amend the motion.

Mr. Garcia moved to approve part of the submission for the windows on the second floor to remain similar to the existing style with either Option #1-medium brown or Option #2-dark brown and the painting of the mullions below to match for Finestra Gallery, 4076 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094 as submitted and Mr. Volpe seconded.

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ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Mr. Henrich; Chairman Perkovich
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion Carried: Approved

Finestra Gallery
4076 Erie St.
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**New front awning w/signage,
(1st fl.), New rear awning w/signage,
Non-illuminated projecting sign (frt.)**

Mr. Volpe moved to table the awnings and signage for Finestra Gallery, 4076 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094 and Mr. Brown seconded.

ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. Volpe; Mr. Henrich; Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Chairman Perkovich
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion Carried: Tabled

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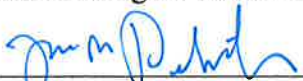
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Mr. Henrich moved to approve the Design Review Board meeting minutes, as submitted for August 4, 2021 and Mr. Brown seconded.

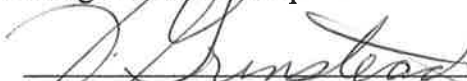
ROLL CALL: Yeas: Mr. Brown; Mr. Henrich; Chairman Perkovich
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Mr. Volpe; Mr. Garcia

Motion Carried: Approved

There being no further business the regular meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.



John Perkovich, Chairman



Vicki Grinstead, Secretary