DESIGN REVIEW BOARD CITY OF WILLOUGHBY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2020

PRESENT: Bill Henrich; Adam Brown; Dan Volpe; Paul Garcia; John Perkovich; Chairman

ABSENT: No

OTHERS: Vicki Grinstead, Secretary

Chairman Perkovich called the virtual ZOOM meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Nickleby's Round Bar and Kitchen 4051 Erie St. (Kevin McCrone, Owner) Replace aluminum windows with new aluminum roll-up doors

Mr. McCrone, Co-Owner, 4733 Maple St., Willoughby, OH 44094 is representing his application for the replacement of aluminum windows with new aluminum roll-up doors for Nickleby's Round Bar and Kitchen, 4051 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094.

Mr. McCrone said he replaced the glass in the front of his store and did not realize he needed to pull a permit. He said the new roll-up window is black and he did not change the opening. He referred the Board to the before and after pictures and the windows look very similar. He said the restaurant across the street has a similar roll-up window. He apologized to the Board for not coming before them first and said he has respect for the Board and that is why he is here this evening.

Chairman Perkovich said he appreciated the before and after photos because it does make the Board's job a bit easier. He said someone walking by may not even notice the change. He said he does not have an issue with this window.

Mr. Brown said the new roll-up door looks similar to what was originally there and is a nice addition to the front of the restaurant.

Mr. Henrich said it is quality work and is fine with the new roll-up door.

Mr. Garcia asked if he will be replacing the window on the other side of the doorway. Mr. McCrone said not at this time. Mr. Garcia said he likes the new roll-up door, but he would like to see symmetry.

Mr. Volpe has no issues with the new roll-up door.

Mr. Henrich moved to approve the application for the replacement of aluminum windows with new aluminum roll-up doors for Nickleby's Round Bar and Kitchen, 4051 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094 as submitted and Mr. Brown seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Mr. Henrich; Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Mr. Perkovich, Chairman

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Carried:

Approved

Betty Nardelli 37542 Euclid Ave.

Replace wood picket fence w/ aluminum wrought iron fence in rear yard

Mrs. Nardelli is representing the application for the Nardelli residence, 37542 Euclid Ave., Willoughby, OH 44094.

Mrs. Nardelli said she is replacing an old dilapidated wood fence with 56' of new black wrought iron 5' high fencing around her pool, which is required by city ordinance. It will have two locking gates with two 6' wide panels. They will be mounted to iron posts with a flat cap. She wants it to look nice and will be low maintenance. The fencing around the perimeter of her yard belongs to her neighbors.

Chairman Perkovich said it will look nice. The Board agreed with Chairman Perkovich and had no other comments.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the application for a new black wrought iron fence in the rear yard for the Nardelli residence, 37542 Euclid Ave., Willoughby, OH 44094 as submitted and Mr. Garcia seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Mr. Henrich; Mr. Perkovich, Chairman

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Carried:

Approved

Godnavec Properties/Fiona's

Non-illuminated temporary wall sign

4148 Erie St.

(Rep.- Kenny Godnavec, Owner)

There was no one to represent this application.

Mr. Garcia moved to table the application for the temporary wall sign for Godnavec Properties/Fiona's, 4148 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094 and Mr. Henrich seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Mr. Henrich; Mr. Garcia; Mr. Perkovich, Chairman

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Carried:

Tabled

Achilles Running Shop 4077 Erie St. (Rep.- Bryan Black, B. Legrand Design &) Kris Mendeszoon, Owner Replace front & rear doors, add lighting at rear entrance and recessed knee wall panels at front entrance

Mr. Black of B. Legrand Design, agent for Achilles Running Shop, 4077 Erie St., Willoughby, OH is representing his application.

Mr. Black said they are applying for the doors and lighting that were left off their last application. He said at the last meeting there was discussion on these items and he's included more details and options for the Board's consideration.

Chairman Perkovich thanked the applicant for the thoroughness of his application and asked the Board members for questions or comments.

Mr. Garcia asked if they considered other lighting options for the back because the options provided are rather modern. Mr. Black said they have looked at many options and nothing is set in stone. He said they chose the silver or nickel finish is to match the doors. He said there is so much black adjacent to the building that they would like a bit of contrast. He said the lights are long and linear in design because they have approximately 16-18" between the door frame and the molding and the existing structure that was recently painted black. He wants something that will be "eye catching" that will call out his client's entrance.

Mr. Black shared his screen with a few examples and showed the Board. He said he just does not want anything too traditional. The Board liked the transitional/craftsman style light he shared. Ms. Mendeszoon said she definitely wants her rear entrance to be inviting. Mr. Garcia said he liked the first style presented on the shared screen if they could find it in the brushed nickel. Mrs. Grinstead asked Mr. Black to send a picture to her of what they have chosen, so she could add it to the record and Mr. Black agreed.

Mr. Black said he has decided to change the gooseneck lighting in the rear entrance to point down instead of up because of maintenance issues. He said the style they wanted will work better from overhead, pointing back at the sign. He wanted it noted that they will be installing them above backwashing the sign verses pointing up.

Mr. Garcia moved to approve the application for the replacement of the front and rear doors, adding lighting at the rear entrance and a recessed knee wall panels at the front entrance, with the provisions that the gooseneck lighting will be mounted on the top facing down, and the lighting for the doors will be a transitional/craftsman brushed silver style as discussed above for Achilles Running Shop, 4077 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094 as submitted and Mr. Volpe seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Mr. Volpe; Mr. Henrich; Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Perkovich, Chairman

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Carried:

Approved

Hola Tacos/Barroco

3941 Erie St.

(Rep.- Steve Foster, Sign Graphics Firm)

(2) Illuminated wall signs and

(1) Illuminated freestanding ground sign

Mr. Foster of Sign Graphics Firm, agent for Hola Tacos/Barroco, 3941 Erie St., Willoughby, OH is representing his application for signage.

Mr. Foster said he is here this evening for the monument sign and the entrance signs. He said Hola Tacos and Barroco are two restaurants that are combined; one per floor essentially.

Chairman Perkovich said the application states that these signs are internally illuminated. He asked if these are halo lit type or are the faces glowing. Mr. Foster said these are designed to have LEDs sitting on the back of each of the letters illuminating the front face, which is the acrylic. There will be black opaque vinyl to mask out the parts that are not to be illuminated. Chairman Perkovich said this is more or less like the previous Brim sign that faced Erie Street. Mr. Foster said yes, he believes so.

Chairman Perkovich said he thinks they allowed Brim to have the internal illumination because of the proximity to downtown and were quite a bit of distance away from the main downtown area. He said it was subdued even though it was internally lit.

Mr. Brown asked if the Brim sign would be removed. Mr. Foster said it has already been removed and the building has been repaired and painted to match the building. There are no remnants of the existing sign.

Mr. Garcia asked if there was an option for the ground sign not to be internally lit. Mr. Foster said they had not considered it. These signs are within rectangular forms. The Barroco sign on the top is double sided and there are two separate single cans that are on either side of the monument and are internally lit through the face. Chairman Perkovich said from his point of view they are more or less replacing the existing sign faces and with the snow etc. it may be difficult to utilize ground lighting to catch the eye of the people in the downtown district area, especially being back behind the 5/3 bank. Mr. Brown, Mr. Henrich and Mr. Volpe did not have any issues with the lighting of the ground signs. Mr. Garcia said he is not opposed to the lighting of the ground sign.

Mr. Garcia moved to approve the application for (2) illuminated wall signs and (1) illuminated freestanding ground sign for Hola Tacos/Barroco, 3941 Erie St., Willoughby, OH 44094 as submitted and Mr. Brown seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Mr. Henrich; Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Mr. Perkovich, Chairman

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Carried:

Approved

MINUTES

August 5, 2020

Mr. Henrich moved to approve the regular Design Review Board meeting minutes as submitted for August 5, 2020 and Mr. Volpe seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: M

Mr. Garcia; Mr. Brown; Mr. Volpe; Mr. Henrich; Mr. Perkovich, Chairman

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion Carried:

Approved

There being no further business the regular meeting closed at 7,40 p.m.

John Perkovich, Chairman

Vicki Grinstead, Secretary