

**Design Review and Historic Preservation Board
Minutes
September 12, 2019**

PRESENT

Dirk Schneider, Chairman, David Wigg, Paul Whitbeck, John Mitchell

ALSO PRESENT

Mark Lenzi, Building Inspector; Allen Reitz, Assistant Building Inspector, Susan Donnelly, Secretary to the Board; Robert Koegel, Town Attorney

ABSENT

Kathleen Cristman, Bonnie Salem, Leticia Fornataro

HISTORIC PRESERVATION DISCUSSION

Banners for the historic district were discussed. It was determined that the vinyl material used for other Town banners were appropriate. A request for funds was discussed.

RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW – RETURNING

- **2179 West Jefferson Road**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the construction of a 2431 sq. ft. one-story single family new home.

The property owner, Sandip Sur, was present to discuss the application. Lou Siriani was also present.

Paul Whitbeck noted that he is acquainted with Mr. Siriani but indicated it would not change his vote.

The new design presented the previous design flipped from its original position. The Board determined that the side load garage is a positive element to the design. Some Board members did still express reservations regarding the 27 ft. forward garage despite the 100 ft. setback from the roadway.

Dirk Schneider noted that in this situation given the 100 ft. setback he is comfortable supporting the application. He stated that this large forward garage would be unacceptable in a neighborhood with a shorter setback.

Mark Lenzi reminded the Board of the many different styles of homes on West Jefferson Road.

The Board discussed breaking up the massing with a stone return at the water table. The owner noted this might prove a considerable expense.

They also noted that on most homes with stone facing, a two-foot return on both sides is recommended.

Dirk Schneider moved to approve the application as resubmitted with the condition that a two foot full height stone return be installed on the right and left elevation.

David Wigg seconded.

All Ayes.

RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

- **36 Butternut Drive**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the addition of a 288 sq. ft. three-season room. The addition will be located in the rear of the home.

The homeowner, Charles Pierce was present to discuss the application.

A new porch will be added. The footprint will be changed by 15 sq. ft. The window heads will align. The siding will match the existing.

Contrary to the drawing the ridge on the addition will be centered.

Paul Whitbeck moved to accept the application as submitted.

John Mitchell seconded.

All Ayes.

- **34 Carriage Court**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the addition to a 20' x 10' family room with a bedroom and full bath that will be located in the rear of the property.

The contractor, George Jacob, was present and reviewed the application with the Board. It was determined that the fireplace is going to stay. The contractor feels that he can locate materials to match the existing.

John Mitchell moved to accept the application as submitted with the condition that the materials match the existing on the home.

Dirk Schneider seconded.

All Ayes.

- **242 Shoreham Drive**

The Applicant is requesting design review for a two-story addition and a rear porch.

Kevin Feor was present to represent the homeowner.

The siding on the addition will be painted to match the current siding. The Board made note that this new addition will be a windowless expanse but the neighbor's garage is closest to the addition.

A new porch will be added. The deck will be Azek composite deck with a colonial handrail system.

David Wigg moved to accept the application as submitted with the condition that the materials for the deck and railing will be an Azek type material and the deck is built to Town Code.

Paul Whitbeck seconded.

All Ayes.

COMMERCIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

- **3349 Monroe Avenue – UBreakIFix**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the addition of an business identification sign located in Pittsford Plaza. The sign will identify the business "UBREAKIFIX" and will be approximately 17.17 sq. ft.

Christopher Wendt of UBREAKIFIX was present to discuss the application with the Board.

There will be no copyright symbol on the sign a depicted in the drawing.

Dirk Schneider moved to approve as submitted.

John Mitchell seconded.

All Ayes.

ADVISORY COMMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD – COMMERCIAL

- **900 Linden Avenue – Cube Smart**

The Applicant is requesting an informal design review for the renovation of a 50,000 sq. ft. vacant building. The new owner is proposing to convert the building to self-storage with some general warehouse space.

No representative was present for this application.

The design consists of a cube structure with faux doors on the second level within and 9 additional faux doors. Coloration is a bright blue and red.

The impression of this presentation is that it represents a "large sign" for CubeSmart as only one overhead door is functional.

Images of other CubeSmart facilities were reviewed online.

The Board felt that the fake garage door and storefront are a concern. The cube resembles a sign which exceeds the signage code for the Town.

They also felt strongly that the design should be toned down with a simpler design. Earth tones and neutral colors fit better into our community.

INFORMAL REVIEW - COMMERCIAL

- **3300 Monroe Avenue**

The Applicant is requesting an informal design review for a façade change. Changes will include painting the existing brick, removal of awnings and addition of Alucobond cladding.

There was no representative present.

Dirk Schneider indicated that he is involved in this project and will recuse himself from any vote.

The plan is to improve the building appearance by painting the exterior and removing the awnings. A Alucobond band will break up the massing.

The Board asked what the plans for the existing field stone are. Also they would like to see plans for the rear and east elevations.

OTHER – REVIEW OF 8/22/2019 MINUTES

Dirk Schneider moved to approve the minutes of the 8/22/19 meeting with corrections.

All Ayes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Donnelly
Secretary to the Design Review and Historic Preservation Board