

**Design Review Board
Minutes Of June 2, 2021**

Held Remotely Via Zoom And Telephone Access

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Design Review Board ("DRB") held Wednesday, June 2, 2021. Chair John Henke called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

1) Rollcall

Present: Chair John Henke; Board Members Gigi Debbrecht, Keith Deyer (Harbor Springs, MI), Dustin Kolo, Patricia Lang (Harbor Springs, MI), Michael Willoughby; Alternate Board Members Samantha Cappello, Kathleen Kriel; Student Representatives Charles Cusimano, Elizabeth Wiegand

All located in Birmingham, MI unless otherwise noted.

Absent: Board Member Natalia Dukas

Administration: Nicholas Dupuis, City Planner
Laura Eichenhorn, City Transcriptionist

06-050-21

2) Approval Of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Deyer

Seconded by Ms. Lang to approve the DRB Minutes of May 19, 2021 as submitted.

Motion carried, 5-0.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Debbrecht, Kolo, Deyer, Henke, Lang

Nays: None

Absent: Willoughby

Abstain: Cappello

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3) Public Hearing

None.

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4) Design Review

A. 825 Bowers – Todd's Room

Chair Henke noted that someone had contacted the City vis-a-vis the concern Todd Skog, applicant, had raised at the May 19, 2021 DRB meeting. Chair Henke explained that the concern had been referred to the City Manager and City Attorney. Chair Henke said he would make no further comment regarding the matter at the moment.

Mr. Skog said that while that was not his intention for that to occur, he likely had no influence over what happened after he raised the concern.

Chair Henke said he did not believe the revised proposal sufficiently addressed the DRB's previously stated concerns.

Mr. Skog said he consulted three paint stores and that all advised him that 'contemporary' paint colors were subjective and not a specific category. He said he would need a list of colors from the DRB to know which colors they found amenable since 'contemporary' paint colors is not an agreed-upon category.

Chair Henke recommended the discussion be adjourned for two weeks and that Mr. Skog work with CP Dupuis to devise a more suitable proposal.

Mr. Willoughby encouraged Mr. Skog to hire a design professional to assist in revising the exterior design. He said it would be in his interest to receive expert advice on the redesign so that he could move forward.

Ms. Cappello suggested that some shades of grey might be considered more contemporary.

Motion by Ms. Lang

Seconded by Mr. Kolo to postpone discussion of 825 Bowers to June 16, 2021 to give more time for discovery of the palette.

Motion carried, 7-0.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Debbrecht, Kolo, Deyer, Henke, Lang, Willoughby, Cappello

Nays: None

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5) Sign Review

None.

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6) Study Session

None.

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7) Miscellaneous Business And Communications

A. Pre-Application Discussions

1. 33233 Woodward – Hands-On Physical Therapy

CP Dupuis briefly reviewed the proposal.

The DRB recommended bringing the item for a design review. They asked CP Dupuis to ask that the applicant find a way to align the lower and upper windows in their drawings before coming before the DRB.

B. Draft Agenda for Next Meeting

C. Staff Reports

- 1. Administrative Sign Approvals**
- 2. Administrative Approvals**
- 3. Action List - 2021**

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Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Lang

Seconded by Ms. Debbrecht to adjourn the DRB meeting of June 2, 2021 at 7:58 p.m.

Motion carried, 7-0

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Lang, Debbrecht, Henke, Willoughby, Kolo, Deyer, Cappello

Nays: None

Nicholas Dupuis
City Planner