

**Design Review Board  
Minutes Of October 18, 2023**

151 Martin Street, City Commission Room 205, Birmingham, MI

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Design Review Board ("DRB") held October 18, 2023. Chair Henke called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

**1) Rollcall**

**Present:** Chair John Henke; Board Members Keith Deyer, Natalia Dukas, Dustin Kolo, Patricia Lang, Julie Rasaweher, Michael Willoughby

**Absent:** Alternate Board Member Samantha Cappello, Sam Lanfear; Student Representative Ian Weinberg

**Staff:** Planning Director Dupuis; City Transcriptionist Eichenhorn

**2) Approval of the DRB Minutes of August 2, 2023**

**10-23-23**

**Motion by Mr. Kolo**

**Seconded by Ms. Rasaweher to approve the August 2, 2023 minutes as submitted.**

**Motion carried, 7-0.**

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: Rasaweher, Henke, Kolo, Deyer, Lang, Dukas, Willoughby

Nays: None

**3) Public Hearing**

**4) Design Review**

**A. 151 N. Eton – Jets/Canelle**

PD Dupuis presented the item. Glenda Meads, architect for the applicant, and David Fisher, owner, spoke on behalf of the application. PD Dupuis, Ms. Meads, and Mr. Fisher answered informational questions from the DRB.

Board members' discussion was as follows:

- The proposal in general would enhance the corner;
- Bringing the screenwall around was a good design choice, but it did not seem to have continuity with the extant screenwall on the southeast corner. It might be more appropriate to have the screenwalls match height;
- Alternatively, the difference in the screenwall heights was appropriate and added interest;
- The awnings would be an appropriate choice; and,
- Jets' window signage needed to be brought into compliance with the sign ordinance.

Public Comment

The property owner across the street from 151 N. Eton voiced his support for the applicant's proposal.

**10-24-23**

**Motion by Mr. Willoughby**

**Seconded by Mr. Deyer to approve the Design Review application for 151 N. Eton – Jets/Canelle – with the following condition:**

- 1. The applicant must submit details on the projection of the proposed canopy above the window on the east side of the building; and,**
- 2. That details regarding the additional awnings that were recently added to the plan be included as well.**

**Motion carried, 7-0.**

VOICE VOTE

Yeas: Rasawehr, Henke, Kolo, Deyer, Lang, Dukas, Willoughby

Nays: None

**5) Sign Review**

**6) Study Session**

**7) Miscellaneous Business And Communications**

**A. Pre-Application Discussions**

**B. Draft Agenda**

**C. Staff Reports**

- 1. Administrative Sign Approvals**
- 2. Administrative Approvals**
- 3. Action List 2023**

**8) Adjournment**

No further business being evident, the Board motioned to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.



Nick Dupuis, Planning Director



Laura Eichenhorn, City Transcriptionist