

Design Review Board
Minutes Of March 3, 2021
Held Remotely Via Zoom And Telephone Access

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Design Review Board ("DRB") held Wednesday, March 3, 2021. Chair John Henke called the meeting to order at 7:48 p.m.

1) ROLL CALL

Present: Chair John Henke; Board Members Keith Deyer, Natalia Dukas, Gigi Debbrecht, Dustin Kolo, Patricia Lang, Michael Willoughby; Alternate Board Member Samantha Cappello; Student Representatives Charles Cusimano, Elizabeth Wiegand (all located in Birmingham, MI except Dustin Kolo, who was in Gaylord, MI.)

Absent: Alternate Board Member Kathleen Kriel

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

03-022-21

2) Approval Of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Willoughby

Seconded by Mr. Lang to approve the DRB Minutes of February 3, 2021 as submitted.

Motion carried, 7-0.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Nays: None

02-023-21

3) Public Hearing

None.

03-024-21

4) Design Review

None.

03-025-21

5) Sign Review

None.

03-026-21

6) Study Session

A. Wall Art

CP Cowan reviewed the item.

The Board recommended the allowable locations for public art be limited to the activation areas of the overlays. They also recommended there be some consideration of limiting residential-facing public art where it directly abuts residential buildings. They were fine with allowing public art in the other non-overlay locations recommended by the Public Arts Board.

Mr. Willoughby and Chair Henke were in favor of leaving the ordinance language as unrestricted as possible since all public art projects would go through review by two Boards.

CP Cowan advised the Board that if a person or group installed or put up a public art piece contrary to the ordinance, the City could require them take it down. He advised the DRB that the Public Arts Board recommended to the City Commission a public arts notification process be created in order to encourage public review and involvement.

The DRB requested the item be brought back once more for their review once updated.

03-027-21

7) Miscellaneous Business And Communications

In reply to CP Dupuis, the DRB said they would be willing to consider signage proposals that would use high density foam.

CP Dupuis said he would bring any such signage proposals to the DRB for their review.

- A. Pre-Application Discussions**
- B. Draft Agenda - March 17, 2021**
- C. Staff Reports**
 - 1. Administrative Sign Approvals**
 - 2. Administrative Approvals**
 - 3. Action List - 2021**

Mr. Kolo recommended trainings on architectural materials.

CP Dupuis said he would add that to the list, and would also add general architectural feature training.

03-028-21

Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Debbrecht

Seconded by Mr. Lang to adjourn the DRB meeting of March 3, 2021 at 9:45 p.m.

Motion carried, 7-0.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Nays: None

Nicholas Dupuis
City Planner

APPROVED