

ABBREVIATED MINUTES
Architectural Review Board

January 5, 2010

The City of Bradenton Architectural Review Board met in regular session January 5, 2010 at 2:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida.

ATTENDANCE

Architectural Review Board Members (shaded area indicates absence):

Chairman Gene Bay	Vice Chair Darin Autrey	Kimber Bereiter
Tom McCollum	Dave Kocher	Jason Taylor

Staff:

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Tim Polk, Director	Ruth Seewer, Development Review Manager	Bill Whitelock, Building Official
Thomas Cookingham, Assistant Director	Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager	Claude Tankersley, Director Public Works

PRELIMINARIES

- 1) Meeting called to order at 2:31 P.M. by Chairman Bay.
- 2) Flag salute led by Chairman Bay.
- 3) Member Kocher made the motion to accept the minutes from November 4, 2009 as presented by staff. Seconded by Member Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.
- 4) The following individual was sworn in by Laura Anderson: Joe Fisher, Kathy Slusser, Frank Monhart, Joe Fisher Sr., Chip Shore and Jerry Zoller.

New Business:

CA.09.0002

Request of Joe Fisher, Agent for Judy Susie, for a Certificate of Appropriateness for new handicap bathroom and storage at Old Main Pub, located at 313 12th Street West/Bradenton, FL 34205. (Zoned C-1/UCBD)

Chairman Bay read the request.

Presentation by applicant:

Mr. Joe Fisher of Joe Fisher Construction, Inc. approached the Board; he presented the plans to demolish the existing storage and kitchen area, and add new handicap bathrooms on the rear of the existing structure replacing the existing kitchen and storage area, including a new gable roof. The exterior paint will match the existing structure. Also, the addition has one exterior metal door.

Member Autrey requested that the roof be kept in the same appearance as the existing building as opposed to a new element. Member Taylor agreed with the request to keep the roof similar to the existing materials.

Staff Recommendations:

Mr. Volker Reiss stated that staff recommends approval of the proposed modifications and to include the recommendations of the board concerning the design of the roof. Mr. Reiss stated that the applicant intends to paint the addition to match the existing color which is not a color from the historic color palette. He recommended stipulating that the entire building be painted with a color from the palette.

Mr. Reiss went on to explain that the building itself is not a historic building, but is located within the historic district; therefore the interior renovations do not require the approval of this board, although the building department will ensure compliance with the Florida Building Code.

Questions and Concerns:

Member Taylor asked when the building had been painted the blue color. Mr. Fisher stated that the color has been the same for many years; he also stated that the exterior of the property does require some maintenance and will be painted according to the approved palette.

Actions

Member Taylor made the motion with the stipulations to refer the historic color palette for the approved color of the exterior and the pitch design of the roof to approve case #CA09.0002, the request of Joe Fisher, Agent for Judy Susie, for a Certificate of Appropriateness for new handicap bathroom and storage at Old Main Pub, located at 313 12th Street West/Bradenton, FL 34205. (Zoned C-1/UCBD). Seconded by Member Kocher. Motion carried 4-1 with Member Autrey in opposition.

Additional Comments and Business

Member Taylor suggested the Board entertain the streetscape improvements for Manatee Avenue from 1st Street West to 15th Street West submitted by Florida Department of Transportation prepared by John Moody & Associates.

Mr. Claude Tankersley, Director of Public Works approached the Board; he stated the plans are dated from July 2007, due to the economy and the city budget, the Department of Transportation has agreed to proceed with the landscape development plans. The plans include lighting and landscape improvements. After some questions and discussion with Mr. Tankersley and board members, an endorsement from the ARB was encouraged.

Mr. Tim Polk, Director of Planning and Community Development inquired if the lighting will be similar to the cobra style lighting used on Manatee Avenue East. Mr. Tankersley responded that the style of lighting will be determined further into the project.

Mr. Tankersley added that because the city will be maintaining the street, staff will be able to have a substantial amount of input concerning the materials and design.

Actions

Member Taylor made the motion to endorse the Department of Transportation plans for improvement for Manatee Avenue from 1st Street West to 15th Street West. Seconded by Member Autry. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Hearing Closed.

Workshop:

Discussion on renovations to Historic Manatee Court House.

Mr. Jerry Zoller, Project Architect approached the Board; he stated that this workshop is to hear concerns and suggestions for the exterior of the court house, mainly the windows and façade, before submitting the official application for a certificate of appropriateness. Mr. Zoller explained the displayed dated photographs of the court house. The windows that were replaced in 1965 were not character to the existing structure.

Mr. Frank Monhart, Project Management for Manatee County approached the Board; the county has searched the records and the building for the original window profile to no avail. The dated photographs are the only renderings available. The current windows do not meet code. Mr. Monhart asked for any input from the board members to expedite the project.

After much further discussion, it was confirmed with staff that an application for appropriateness is required for the window replacements.

Mr. Monhart explained the procedures required when repairing the cornices and facade, and the importance of using the right materials. Mr. Zoller added that the roof also requires attention, adding that many repairs have been made over the years.

Mr. Chip Shore stated for the record that he is in favor of the proposed improvements.

Actions

Member Autry made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Member Kocher. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned 3:07 PM.

Chairman