



CITY of MEDINA Historic Preservation Board

Historic Preservation Board

Meeting Date: October 8, 2015

Meeting Time: 5:00 pm

Present: Paula Banks, Don Geitz, Leslie Traves, Justin Benko (Associate Planner), Sandy Davis (Administrative Assistant), Jonathan Mendel (Community Development Director)

Absent: Laura Parnell, Gloria Brown

Minutes: Leslie Traves made a motion to approve the September 10, 2015 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Don Geitz.

Vote:

Geitz	<u>Y</u>
Banks	<u>Y</u>
Traves	<u>Y</u>
Approved	3-0

1. H15-26 100 E. Liberty (Public Square) Polish Pottery CSP

Justin Benko gave a brief overview of the case. Mr. Benko stated this is a request for a Conditional Sign at 100 Public Square for Polish Pottery. Mr. Benko stated the subject property is located on the northwest corner of the Public Square N. Broadway Street.

Mr. Benko stated the applicant has submitted a request for a new wall sign for Polish Pottery. Mr. Benko stated the wall sign will be a 36 sq. ft. non-illuminated sign panel. Mr. Benko stated the lettering and trim will be in a blue (Royal Blue) that replicates traditional Polish Pottery with a pearl white back ground.

Mr. Benko stated at 36 sq. ft. in area, the proposed sign adheres to the size requirements. Mr. Benko stated the proposed signage will be compatible with the building and the district. Mr. Benko stated the propose signage adheres to applicable zoning regulations.

Mr. Benko stated staff recommends the Historic Preservation Board grant a Conditional Sign Approval for the proposed sign.

Present for the case was Megan Harbath, property owner. Ms. Harbath stated the sign company should be arriving to the meeting. Ms. Harbath stated he has the color samples. Ms. Harbath stated the colors are historical colors. Ms. Harbath stated the cream is less yellow than the photo. Ms. Harbath stated it is similar to what is on the alcove of the store but is slightly different. Ms. Harbath stated the plan is to eventually change the color so everything matches. Ms. Harbath stated the color name is "vellum". Ms. Harbath stated she had originally put in an application to change the building front colors but she is holding off on that right now. Ms. Harbath stated she is trying to get the green color just right. Ms. Harbath stated the one color that will not change is the vellum color. Ms. Harbath stated the members of the Community Design Committee likes the color as did she. Ms. Harbath stated it will compliment all the other colors that are chosen. Ms. Harbath stated the blue color is very distinctive in Polish Pottery.

Also present for the case was the owner of the Polish Pottery. He did not present his name. The owner of Polish Pottery stated the opening of the store has been delayed until spring due to contractors being booked and his other stores are busy getting ready for Christmas.

Mr. Geitz mentioned that the "P" and the "Y" are very close to the band on the sign. Mr. Geitz suggested trying to put more space in that area. Ms. Harbath stated she agrees.

Dave Sterrett from Medina Signs joined the meeting. Mr. Sterrett stated changing the sign in order to make the space between the letters and border can be done; however, the sign was designed to cover imperfections in the building façade. Mr. Sterrett stated the letters are a fixed size so if the letters are made smaller, they would need to go down one inch on the sign height. Mr. Sterrett stated he can make the sign a little wider. Mr. Sterrett stated the imperfection in the wall may show if he does this. Mr. Sterrett stated he can take some height off of the cigar band on the sign and keep it large enough in the center portion of the sign to cover the bricked up window.

Mr. Mendel stated it is a good suggestion but is not something the board can make a condition of the approval.

Bill Lamb, 721 S. Court Street, stated the Community Design Committee has been working with the applicant on paint colors for the building.

Mr. Lamb stated it is important for the board to keep in mind their purview when reviewing applications. Mr. Lamb stated the applicant should leave with a good feeling about the City Administration.

Mrs. Banks stated the board has been very agreeable to applicants over the years and has only asked maybe one applicant to change something. Mrs. Banks stated she feels the board will ask questions of the applicant and they should be able to do so.

Dave Sterrett stated he has been before the Historic Preservation Board many times over the years and has always found the board to be accommodating and interested in what he

is doing. Mr. Sterrett stated he has never walked out feeling cheated in any way by the board or from the City Administration. Mrs. Traves stated she is happy that others like the CDC are getting involved with the applicants to assist them.

Mrs. Banks made a motion to approve a Conditional Sign at 100 Public Square, (100 E. Liberty) for Polish Pottery, as submitted.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Traves.

Vote:

Geitz	<u>Y</u>
Banks	<u>Y</u>
Traves	<u>Y</u>
Approved	3-0

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Davis

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Paula Banks, Vice Chairperson

~~Gloria Brown, Chairperson~~