

MINUTES
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING
CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021; 5:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL 226 WEST 4TH STREET

I. Call to Order

Present: Wilkinson, Slobojan, Howell, Rashid, Salzer, Anderson, Mirr

Absent: Gramenz, Stinocher, Tibbitt

Staff: Berkley, Pradhan, Werderitch

II. Secretary's Report

A. Consideration of the August 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes.

The minutes were approved following a motion by Slobojan and a second by Howell.

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

A. Case DR21-14: Request for Design Approval, C-D Downtown Zoning District; Installation of new signage at 111 West 2nd Street. ACME Sign Company Inc., petitioner, on behalf of Double Tree Hotel. [Ward 3]

Werderitch provided an overview of the proposed sign package, which rebrands the existing Radisson Hotel to a Double Tree Hotel. Doug Jarvis of ACME Sign Company Inc., presented the scope of the rebranding project. The proposed signage will fit the existing framework of the Radisson Hotel signs.

Staff recommended Case DR21-14 be approved in accordance with the submitted plans.

Motion by Salzer, second by Rashid, to approve the project as presented. The motion passed 7-0.

B. Case DR21-15: Request for Design Approval, C-D Downtown Zoning District; Installation of a new freestanding sign at 130 West 5th Street. St. Anthony Catholic Church, petitioner. [Ward 3]

Werderitch described the scope of the project to install a new freestanding sign near the corner of West 5th Street and Main Street. Mike Brannon, The Sign Shop, Inc., spoke on behalf of St. Anthony Church and the presented design.

Wilkinson discussed the desire for the sign to compliment the historic character of the building.

Staff recommended that Case DR21-15 be approved in accordance with the submitted plans and subject to the following condition:

1. The freestanding sign shall be setback a minimum of five feet from property lot lines.

Rashid made a motion to approve staff recommendation with the following condition added:

1. A decorative finial shall be added to the top of each post.

Motion by Rashid, second by Mirr, to approve the project as presented with the two conditions. The motion passed 7-0.

V. General Discussion

A. Downtown Design Guideline Update Steering Committee and Committee Direction

Berkley described the creation of a steering committee to review and update the Downtown Design Guidelines. The committee will consist of Design Review Board members, downtown residents, elected officials, City staff, and downtown business owners. Wilkinson and Salzer volunteered to participate in the steering committee.

VI. Public Comment

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:31 pm.

VIII. Next Board Meeting: October 25, 2021