

MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF MOUNTAIN BROOK
 VILLAGE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE
 JUNE 19, 2019
 CITY HALL, 56 CHURCH STREET, MOUNTAIN BROOK, AL 35213
 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

Present: Bo Grisham, Chairman
 Lynn Ritchie
 Sally Legg
 George Israel
 Stutts Everette
 Ellen Elsas, Supernumerary
 Brian Barrett, Supernumerary
 Absent: None

 Also present: Alice Womack, Council Liaison
 Hunter Simmons, GIS Manager
 Tammy Reid, Administrative Analyst

The regular meeting of the City of Mountain Brook Village Design Review Committee was held on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, in the Council Chamber at Mountain Brook City Hall. Mr. Grisham called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Grisham presented the agenda for consideration.

Motion: Mr. Elsas, motion to approve the agenda as presented.
 Second: Mr. Israel
 Vote: Aye: Grisham, Ritchie, Legg, Israel, Everett, Elsas, & Barrett
 Nay: None

The agenda stands approved as presented.

2. Approval of Minutes – May 15, 2019

Mr. Grisham presented the minutes from May 15, 2019.

Motion: Mr. Barrett, motion to approve the minutes as printed.
 Second: Mr. Israel
 Vote: Aye: Grisham, Ritchie, Legg, Israel, Everett, Elsas, & Barrett
 Nay: None

3. **Case V-19-12: Wells Fargo, 100 Office Park Drive**

EXHIBIT I

Sharon Bradshaw, Scott Services, 5636 Clifford Circle, Birmingham, presented the application for Wells Fargo at 100 Office Park Drive, Mountain Brook.

Proposed:

- Existing monument sign: Replace face; white vinyl lettering to be applied “ATM Only”.
- Remove two façade signs.
- Add one façade sign with new branding; silver backboard with dark bronze lettering; internally lit.
- Non-lit ATM wall sign over the drive-through ATM; red and gray backboard; white lettering with black drop shadow.

Mr. Grisham stated that the committee expressed in the pre-meeting that the new silver and bronze color scheme presented for the façade sign is preferred, and recommends that all of the requested signs match that color scheme (eliminating red). The façade sign should match the dimensions of the existing façade sign. Changes can be emailed for review and final approval.

Mr. Grisham called for a motion.

Motion: Mr. Barrett, motion to approve the sign application as submitted, with the condition that the dimensions of the new sign match the dimensions of the existing sign, and that the monument sign match the new silver/bronze color palette presented for the façade sign. Please email confirmation that these conditions are met for final approval.

Second: Mrs. Ritchie

Vote: Ayes: Grisham, Ritchie, Legg, Israel, Everett, Elsas, & Barrett
Nays: None

Note: The Village Design Review Committee approved (by majority vote via email on June 21, 2019) the sign proposal revisions as submitted via email, as follows:

- Monument sign: keep as it is, only add ATM vinyl.
- Remove both wall signs on the main building; no replacements.
- ATM Panel: install over the current drive-through ATM.

4. **Case V-19-13: Abhi, 2721 Cahaba Road**

EXHIBIT 2

Brian Barrett recused himself from this case.

Kyle Dagostino, Poole & Company Architects, LLC, represented the applicant. Abhi, a restaurant, will occupy the second floor. Proposed: one guardrail sign; two projecting signs (installed at the corners); a façade entrance sign on the Montevallo Road side; and vinyl lettering on the entrance door. These signs, with the exception of the vinyl lettering on the door, will be illuminated; LED strip, halo-type lighting.

Mr. Simmons asked the color temperature proposed. Mr. Dagostino said 3,000 on Kelvin scale would be suitable. Mr. Simmons said 3,000 agrees with VDR preferences.

Mr. Dagostino:

- The Montevallo Road blade sign probably will not be seen from the front due to the existing oak tree; will be mounted to the corner of the building; geared to pedestrian traffic. Both Abhi and Carrigan's will have blade signs. This signage is important for Abhi because it is their only ADA compliant access.
- Applicant realizes that they are over the maximum allowable signage aggregate; approximately 4.16 sf over.
- The guardrail sign is the same size as the railing, with an orange background.

Committee:

- There is a master sign plan to consider.
- The maximum allowable letter height is 16"; proposal is for 18"; however, the proposed font may be harder to see if a smaller size is used.
- Consider positioning the handrail sign within the frame of the railing and scale proportionately.
- Confirmed that the backboard of the sign is an orange color.
- Too much signage proposed. The Committee could consider approving the façade signs only and address the blade signs at a later date.
- The proposed new entrance to Carrigan's will help define the space.

Mr. Grisham called for a motion.

Motion: Mrs. Ritchie: Motion for approval to review, via email, the following:

- A mockup of the handrail sign and the entrance façade sign on Montevallo Road at a maximum height of 16".
- The handrail sign should be positioned within the frame of the railing and scaled proportionately. A slightly taller height may be submitted for consideration, but will require a variance for approval.

The additional signage that was submitted in the application may be considered at a later date, upon the determination of aggregate signage calculations. Final approval is pending receipt and acceptance of new drawings incorporating Committee recommendations.

Second: Mr. Israel

Vote: Ayes: Grisham, Ritchie, Legg, Israel, Everett, Elsas, & Barrett

Nays: None

Note: The Village Design Review Committee considered amendments submitted via email. An email vote was taken on July 1, 2019, and the committee approved, by majority vote, the amendments as follows:

- A variance is granted for the handrail sign and the entrance façade sign on Montevallo Road for a maximum letter height of 18".
- The sign proportions and placement are approved as amended.

5. **Case V-19-14: Carrigan's Public House, 2721 Cahaba Road****EXHIBIT 3**

Brian Barrett recused himself from this case.

David Carrigan, applicant, presented the application requests. A new entrance is proposed adjacent to Montevallo Road to provide access specific to this business. Also proposed are new bay windows on the Petticoat Lane elevation at the portico, canopy and glazing at the upper patio, and a new screen wall and ramp. The materials to be used are the same as existing materials. Signage on the submitted plan is provided as a reference only at this time.

Mr. Grisham called for a motion.

Motion: Mrs. Elsas: Motion to approve the following design changes as submitted:

- The new entrance adjacent to Montevallo Road.
- New stucco screen wall with fig ivy.
- Ramp with railing.
- Covered screened porch in upper patio area.

Second: Mrs. Ritchie

Vote: Ayes: Grisham, Ritchie, Legg, Israel, Everett, Elsas, & Barrett

Nays: None

6. **Adjournment:** The next meeting will be held on July 17, 2019. There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting stood adjourned at approximately 8:45 a.m.



Tammy Reid, Administrative Analyst