



Agenda

Design Review Committee Meeting

Monday, June 17, 2019 at 5:30 PM
City Council Chambers, City Hall

Members: Stephen Everett (Chair), Eric Gilbertson (Vice-Chair), Hannah Smith, Seth Mitchell,
Martha Smyrski, Liz Pritchett (Alternate), Ben Cheney (Alternate)

Please note that this agenda is subject to change

1. Call to Order by the Chair
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Comments from the Chair
4. 22 State St. (UC-1/DCD/RHA)
Owner/Applicant Carlo Rovetto
Review new sign.
5. 8 Jay St. (Res1500/DCD)
Owner/Applicant: Stephen Cusick and Anne Loecher
Review porch repairs and house re-painting.
6. 108 State St. (UC-1/DCD/RHA)
Owner: Timberlake Associates
Applicant: David Simendinger
Review new signage
7. 29 Main St. (UC-1/DCD/RHA)
Owner: Eric Bigglestone
Applicant: SB Signs, Inc.
Review new signage.
8. Review meeting minutes of May, 29th and June 3rd, 2019.
9. Adjournment

**Montpelier Design Review Committee Special Meeting – Site Visit
May 29, 2019, 5:30 pm**

Location: Langdon Street Bridge, Montpelier VT

Subject to review and approval

Present: Steve Everett, Martha Smyrski, Liz Pritchett (alternate), Seth Mitchell, Meredith Crandall - staff.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Steve Everett.

Langdon St. Bridge

Owner: City of Montpelier

Applicant: Langdon Street Alive

Pre-Installation Demonstration of Public Art Lighting Installation on bridge.

Ward Joyce, Applicant's representative, and Tuyen Nguyen, the artist behind the installation's design, attended.

The applicable permit has already been issued following the 5/6 DRC hearing, but DRC members requested a demonstration of what the acrylic panels that will cover the LED lights being mounted on the bridge would look like, particularly in the daytime.

Ms. Nguyen demonstrated two acrylic panels, one frosted off-white, and one black. Both panels will allow light to shine through, but the frosted white appeared to diffuse the light to a greater extent (spread it over the surface) as well as allow more of the light through. Committee Members noted that the black was the clear preference for the daytime view of the installation, as it blended with the color of the bridge. The black acrylic was not part of the previously approved application.

In addition to the color of the acrylic, there was also discussion regarding:

- (1) How to connect the acrylic panels to each other at seams – with Chair Everett suggesting small beads of super glue;
- (2) How power will be routed to the lights; and
- (3) That it may be sensible to angle the LED strips along the top (flat) portion of the bridge arches to allow any accumulated water to flow out.

Staff advised all present that the Committee could vote on whether or not to allow the black acrylic panels as an option, but that Applicant would need to submit an application to the Planning and Development for an amendment to the current permit to incorporate that change.

A motion was made to allow Applicant the option of the black acrylic panel (in addition to the four white and clear options approved at the May 6th hearing) and if the black panel is used – Applicant has the further option of using two rows of LED lights behind the panels: one on the bottom lip of the bridge beam as originally proposed, plus one on the top beam lip (pointed down) to increase the amount of light coming through the black acrylic.

The motion was approved on a 4-0 vote.

Other business: The next regular meeting will be Monday, June 3, 2019.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm, on a 3-0 vote. Member Smyrski having left at 5:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith S. Crandall, Staff

**Montpelier Design Review Committee Meeting
June 3, 2019**

Subject to review and approval

This public meeting was recorded, and the video will be available for viewing at this link:
<https://www.montpelier-vt.org/1094/CivicClerk>

Present: Steve Everett, Liz Pritchett (alternate), Ben Cheney (alternate), Meredith Crandall - staff.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Steve Everett.

Approval of the agenda: Ben made a motion to approve the agenda as printed, Liz seconded. The motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

Comments from the Chair: There were no comments from the Chair.

**112 Main Street
Owner/Applicant: Sam Shippee
Review canopy signage.**

Jim Duprey from Black River Design was present for the applicant.

The applicant wanted a review of the graphics on the awning, which will be wall type on the face of the canopy. The graphics will be 24" tall and 51" wide. There will be black light fixtures mounted to the awning. The applicant would like to be able to go up to 635 lumens or 4,000 LED.

The committee recommended that the maximum length of a projecting arm LED fixture be 12 inches.

Applicant has the option to mount flush LED fixture(s) at the top of the awning arch to provide a wall wash lighting effect instead of the proposed projecting arm fixtures.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application was approved on a 3-0 vote.

**101 Northfield Street
Owner: Anil Sachdev Applicant: Stephen Elias
Review new paint color and parking lot lighting.**

Rakesh Sachdev was present to represent the applicant.

Benjamin Moore (OC-65) Chantilly Lace and (1221) Potters Clay will match the existing colors. The commission mentioned that darker colors in the same tones would be acceptable and show less dirt.

Currently, there is no parking lot lighting for the motel. There is minimum amount of lighting on the building front, but it does not illuminate the parking spaces up to the front of the building. The application is to change the wall mounted light fixtures on the front of the building to illuminate the immediately adjacent paths and parking spaces with minimum foot candles. The outer parking spaces in the lot would be lighted by adding parking lot poles and mounting LED floodlights 12' up.

Committee offered the option that the pressure treated 4" x 4" light fixture posts may be painted black to match the LED flood light fixture attached.

Applicant also requested review of plans to move its EconoLodge ground sign. Ms. Crandall noted that she and Mr. Elias had discussed this, and that this request would require additional paperwork. Staff indicated that the Committee could still provide comments, but that the Applicant would need to provide additional information on the sign before a separate permit for that aspect of the project could be issued. The Committee offered the following options: (i) the existing sign base may be either left in place after the sign is moved, or totally removed once the sign is relocated; and (ii) the new sign base at the new location may either be constructed as a planter for shrubs/flowers or be constructed for landscaped shrub/flower area planted around the base.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application was approved on a 3-0 vote.

Review minutes from May 20, 2019: Liz made a motion to approve, Ben seconded. The motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

Adjournment: Ben made a motion to adjourn, Liz seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary