

Montpelier Design Review Committee Meeting
August 5, 2019

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<https://www.montpelier-vt.org/1094/CivicClerk>

Present: Steve Everett, Hannah Smith, Ben Cheney (alternate), Audra Brown - staff.

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

Approval of the agenda: Hannah moved to approve the agenda as presented, Ben seconded. The motion passed on a 50 vote.

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

5 Cliff Street

Owner/Applicant: Mary Andes
Review fence surrounding parking area.

The applicant was present. Steve praised the applicant for doing a nice job with her property. The property is enrolled with a program within the Vermont Housing Conservation Board, so they have been assessing some safety issues. A black, wrought iron fence was determined to be an asset to the one car parking spot, to prevent someone from walking off the cliff.

A hand railing may be added to the steps from the fence, if the applicant wishes. A motion detecting light may also be added.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application was approved on a 3-0 vote.

3 Pitkin Court

Owner: Blueberry Associates Applicant: Claudia Pringles
Review new signs.

The applicant was present. The application is for a business sign with light yellow lettering. She believes the sign is going to be wooden. There is an existing light but no changes will be made to it.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application was approved on a 3-0 vote.

29 College Street

Owner/Applicant: Keith Schumacher

Review exterior staircase to second floor unit.

The Applicant and Ben Dunham were present.

Applicant is proposing: (1) to add one exterior door for egress from the first floor apartment to the porch; and (2) an option for an exterior steel stairway.

An option would be to add matching lights (sconce or ceiling style) at both the new and existing entry doors on the porch. Applicant also has the option of adding a motion sensor light at the rear of the building to light the rear walkway and alternative stairwell. All light fixture finishes to be brass or black. Once they decide on lighting, they will check with the zoning office to make sure the lighting works with the zoning bylaws by submitting cut sheets.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application and options were approved on a 3-0 vote.

60 Main Street

Owner: 60 Main Street Associates Applicant: Tolya Stonorov

Review outdoor seating area, new signage, and exterior painting.

The applicant, Bill Caplan, and another person were present. The outdoor seating will allow for 6 feet pedestrian access, with flower pots to separate the area. Ben is going to make the sign, so he asked if he should recuse himself. If he does, no vote can be taken on the project.

The businesses will be Regal and Rabble Rouser with two separate owners. The signboard will be mounted to the mortarboard, not the brick.

An option is that the lettering could be smaller. They are going to experiment with paper lettering to see what works best. If there any changes to the sign, the applicant would come back.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application and options for the sign was approved on a 3-0 vote.

Review minutes from July 8 and July 22, 2019: The minutes were tabled due to lack of a quorum.

Other business: The next meeting will be Monday, August 19, 2019.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary

