

**Montpelier Design Review Committee Meeting
October 21, 2019**

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

Present: Steve Everett, Eric Gilbertson, Seth Mitchell, Meredith Crandall - staff.

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

Approval of the agenda: Eric asked that an update on the design review regs be added to the agenda, it will be discussed under "other business". Eric made a motion to approve the amended agenda, Seth seconded. The motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

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

89 Main Street

**Owner: Nedde Real Estate Applicant: Marigold Adornment
Review new projecting sign.**

Michael and Jessica Mulcahy were present. They have been in business for two years and discovered that customers don't know to enter from the side of the City Center building.

The proposed sign will be 6 square feet (per side) and project above the entryway. It will be 56.5" high, 15" wide, 5/16" thick, and will be 96 inches from the ground. It will be lit with two LED floodlights. It will be attached into metal brackets affixed to the wall of the building. The lights will be directed at the building façade for a wash effect on the sign.

Committee members expressed concerns regarding the letter height, and the potential for the sign to obscure the architectural details of the building (glass block line).

The Committee recommended: (1) the brackets go into the sign band only (not the brick below the glass blocks); (2) the sign be elevated, and centered on the sign band; (3) pushing the sign to one foot out from the building instead of the current 2 inches; and (4) revising the goosenecks as needed to wash the sign. If desired, a black pinstripe may be added around the edge of the sign for greater contrast. When Applicants expressed concerns with flexibility of the sign material given the change in brackets, the Committee suggested a solid bracket along one side of the sign, with top and bottom supports.

Applicants will go back to Sign Design and have them use the Board's suggestions, then since the changes adhere to the recommendation sheet, they don't need to return.

The applicable criteria were reviewed and determined to be acceptable.

The application with the Committee's recommendations was approved on a 3-0 vote, with no abstentions.

Review minutes from October 7, 2019: The minutes were tabled due to a lack of a quorum.

Other business: The next meeting will be Monday, November 4, 2019.

Eric reported that the design review changes requested by the Historic Preservation Board were mostly integrated. The Planning Commission will have the first of the public hearings next Monday night, October 28th.

Adjournment: Eric made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary