



City of Ann Arbor

Formal Minutes

Design Review Board

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Wednesday, February 21, 2018

3:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second
Floor Council Work Room

A **CALL TO ORDER**

B **ROLL CALL**

Staff Present: City Planner, Alexis DiLeo

Others Present: Paul Fontaine (serving until a replacement is appointed)

Present 5 - Richard (Dick) Mitchell, William Kinley, Geoffrey M.
Perkins, Gary Cooper, and Lori Singleton

Absent 1 - Tamara Burns

C **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Mitchell, seconded by Perkins, and approved
unanimously as presented.**

D **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

D-1 **18-0321** Design Review Board Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2018

Attachments: 1-17-2018 DRB Minutes .pdf

**Moved by Singleton, seconded by Cooper, approved unanimously
as presented, and forwarded to the City Council.**

E **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

E-1 **18-0322** 321 North Main Street Design Plan

Attachments: Staff Report 321 North Main (for 2-21-18).pdf, DRB
Application .pdf, Elroys Place Design Plans for feb DRB
Meeting .pdf

The Board asked clarifying questions about the design, materials,

construction, and architectural details. The following comments were offered as ways to improve the project:

- 1. Note some Board members felt the massing organization seemed counterintuitive as the taller entry structure is on the far side of the building from the downtown core and the lower entry structure is on the near side.*
- 2. Note the Board was conflicted on the proposed color scheme. Some felt it was appropriate while others felt the Kerrytown character district is more colorful than the proposed muted earthtones.*
- 3. Consider eliminating, or simplifying, the architectural element outlining the retail entry door. Also, do include the cut and etched panels mentioned as under consideration.*
- 4. Consider enlarging the windows at the corners of the building on the third, fourth and fifth floors so they are as tall as the windows on the sixth floor.*
- 5. Note some Board members felt the blue cornice line was detracting from the overall design plan.*

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F NEW BUSINESS

None.

G PLANNING COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

G-1 [18-0323](#) Staff Reports from Planning Commission Meetings

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H COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

H-1 [18-0324](#) Various Communications to the Design Review Board

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I PUBLIC COMMENTARY (Three Minutes Maximum Speaking Time)

None.

J ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 4:15 p.m.