

ANN ARBOR DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

February 15, 2017

Action Minutes

Members Present: Tamara Burns (Chair), Bill Kinley (Vice Chair), Gary Cooper, Lori Singleton

Members Absent: Paul Fontaine, Dick Mitchell, Geoff Perkins

Staff Present: Alexis DiLeo

Meeting Started: 3:15 p.m.

Agenda – Approved

Approval of Minutes – Approved (Moved by Singleton, Seconded by Kinley; 4 yes, 0 no.)

The January 18, 2017 Design Review Board Meeting Minutes were approved as prepared. The Recommendation Letter to The Jefferson (project no. DR16-018) was approved as prepared.

Public Commentary – Ethel Potts, 1014 Elder Boulevard, offered pros and cons on moving the public commentary period from the end of the meeting agenda to the beginning.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business

G-1, 17-0090, Discussion of Agenda Order of Business – Moving Public Comments

The Board discussed moving the public commentary period from the end of the meeting agenda to the beginning and decided to leave the order of agenda unchanged. Public commentary will remain at the end of the meeting agenda.

G-2, 17-0199, Discussion of Requiring Second Meeting

Staff presented a memo of important considerations that must be addressed related to requiring a second meeting. The Board discussed the memo and pros and cons of revising the current process. The Board generally agreed that a second meeting with applicants is wanted but did not resolve the best way to accomplish it.

G-3, 17-0200, Review of Draft 2017 Report to City Council

Staff presented the draft 2017 Report to City Council. The Board discussed the draft report briefly and agreed to continue their discussion at their next meeting.

G-4, 17-0201, Staff Updates – Sun Baths, Training Opportunities

As requested, staff provided a follow-up on the status of the Sun Baths development, which has paused construction during the winter and will resume in the spring. Staff also informed the Board that no funds have been budgeted for training but arrangements can be made for the Board to have a peer discussion with another Design Review Board and a request can be made for specific training, instruction or classes.

Communications – None

Public Commentary (General) – Ethel Potts, 1014 Elder Boulevard, noted that the Board just discussed very important issues and reminded the Board that there are always alternatives to a proposed development.

Adjournment – 4:30 pm

Prepared by Alexis DiLeo, City Planner
February 16, 2017