

Design Review Board
Town Hall, La Plata, Maryland
Meeting
December 16, 2009, 9:00 AM

Present: Chairman Robert Turgeon, Councilman Joe Norris, Joann Baierlein, Steve Urso,
David P. Gallagher; Jeanine James,

Town Staff: Cathy Flerlage, Director of Planning & Zoning; David M. Jenkins, Director of
Municipal Development; Danielle Mandley, Town Clerk

Minutes:

Chairman Turgeon called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and led the Board and all attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of December 2, 2009 minutes

Councilman Norris moved to approve the minutes of the December 2 meeting. Ms. Baierlein seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Matters of Discussion and Review

Approval of the American Legion Post 82, 6330 Crain Highway Monument & Building Sign [A staff report dated December 16, 2009 was included in the meeting packets]

Patricia Rosslyn, with Kerley Signs, presented the proposed sign design plans for the monument and building signs for American Legion Post 82.

In response to a question posed by Chairman Turgeon, Mr. Hindle, with the American Legion, stated that the electronic changeable text sign would only display one message in a 24 hour period.

Mr. Urso moved to approve the American Legion Post 82 Monument & Building Signs as proposed. Mr. Gallagher seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of the Outsource IT – 6810 Crain Highway monument & Building Sign. [A staff report dated December 16, 2009 was included in the meeting packets.]

Tom Cable with TCC Signs, presented design plans for the Monument and Building Signs for Outsource IT.

Following Discussion; the Board members agreed to have the applicant return after the colors to be used can be confirmed, and requested samples of each color to be used.

Other Business

Proposed changes to 191-68

Description: Discussions regarding proposed changes to 191-68, to add a section D, to increase the allowable signage.

UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 100 SQ. FT. OF SIGNAGE MAY BE PERMITTED FOR LARGE BUILDINGS IN EXCESS OF 25,000 SQ. FT. IN SIZE, WHICH ARE OCCUPIED BY A SINGLE PRIMARY TENANT. FOR EVERY 250 LF. OF BUILDING FAÇADE THAT INCORPORATES A PUBLIC ENTRANCE, A TOTAL OF 100 SQ. FT. OF SIGNAGE MAY BE ERECTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD. THE SIGNAGE MAY TAKE THE FORM OF ONE OR MORE SIGNS; HOWEVER, MULTIPLE SIGNS MAY BE ERECTED ON A SINGLE FAÇADE ONLY IF NEEDED TO SERVE SECONDARY TENANTS WHO ARE OPERATING COMPLETELY FROM WITHIN THE PRIMARY TENANT'S FACILITY. EACH SIGN ERECTED MUST ALSO CONFORM TO THE STANDARDS OF CONSISTENCY ESTABLISHED IN AN APPROVED MASTER SIGN PLAN.

Councilman Norris moved to include section 191-68 D, as proposed, in the Sign Ordinance and submit a recommendation to the Council for introduction, and to change the wording of the first line in 191-71B to read, "Each site is allowed one (1) detached sign, limited to a maximum of seventy (70) square feet in area, twenty (20) feet in OVERALL HEIGHT MAY BE ALLOWABLE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD". Mr. Urso seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Gallagher moved to adjourn at 9:58 AM. Ms. Baierlein seconded the motion and it carried.

Submitted by:

Danielle Mandley, Town Clerk