# DERRY TOWNSHIP DESIGN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 28, 2016

The meeting of the Derry Township Design Advisory Board was called to order at 5:59 p.m. by Chairwoman Pam Moore in the Meeting Room of the Derry Township Municipal Complex, 600 Clearwater Road, Hershey, PA.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Pam Moore, Chairwoman; Joyce St. John; Brian O'Day; Ted Herman

Members Absent: Jennifer Harnden, Vice Chairwoman; Susan Cort, Secretary

Also Present: Brandon Williams, Assistant Director of Community Development; Jenelle Stumpf, Community Development Secretary; Chris Brown, Derck & Edson

Public attendance: Phil Guarno

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Member Herman, seconded by Member St. John, and a unanimous vote, the minutes of the February 29, 2016 meeting were approved as presented.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Consideration of building façade improvements at 102 West Chocolate Avenue (Fenicci's of Hershey; DAB #373)

Brandon Williams stated that the proposal includes a stone overlay on the lower portion of the front of the building, which is currently brick; repointing the upper brick area; and repainting the green siding with a light cocoa color.

Phil Guarno, owner of Fenicci's, explained that he wants to paint the aluminum siding on the building because it is old and faded. The paint color is "Ashley Gray" and it is a grayish brown. The proposed stone overlay is gray (not blue as depicted on the rendering), and it is similar to the church next door and the post office building on the other side of West Chocolate Avenue. Mr. Guarno is proposing to use Lancaster Field Stone, which is the same type of stone that already exists on the lower portion of Fenicci's patio along Linden Road. The only difference between the stone on the side

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of the building and what will be on the front is that the stones will be closer together and there will be less mortar. Mr. Guarno stated that he wanted to retain the brick on the upper portion of the front of the building because The Hershey Story and the Hershey Press Building are brick. The roofing shingles, soffits, and downspouts on the second and third floors of the building will be replaced. The downspouts will be bronze to match the existing window frames. The lights on either side of the front door may be replaced with shadow box lights.

Chris Brown, Derck & Edson, asked what will be done with the brick headers above the barber shop windows. Mr. Guarno responded that they will be removed as part of the stone overlay project.

Mr. Brown stated that he likes the proposed field stone overlay and is not concerned about the mortar spacing. He commented that retaining the brick ledgers above the windows on the front of the building would be a neat accent against the field stone. Mr. Guarno would appreciate being able to keep the brick ledgers because it would be an involved process to replace them. Mr. Brown also commented that he is not concerned with the paint color for the siding. Mr. Guarno asked Mr. Brown if he would be available to view and approve a sample of the field stone once it is installed before he has the contractor proceed with the rest of the project. Mr. Brown agreed.

Member Herman agreed that keeping the brick accents will allow for improvements but will also retain some of the uniqueness of the building.

Chairwoman Moore asked Mr. Guarno if he has a sample of the proposed shadow box lights on either side on the front entrance. Mr. Guarno did not have a sample and added that he is not sure yet if that is what he wants to replace the lights with because the current ones match the style of the lights at The Hershey Story.

Mr. Brown likes that Mr. Guarno continues to improve the building and asked if he ever considered installing subtle awnings over the three small windows for the dining room. Mr. Guarno answered that he is unsure about how the awnings would look on that side of the building. Mr. Brown stated that Mr. Guarno might want to keep this idea in mind for a future improvement.

### Motion

Member Herman made a motion that the Design Advisory Board issue a Recommendation of Appropriateness for the proposal as presented, with the retention of the brick accents around the windows on the front of the building. Member St. John seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

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| OTHER BUSINESS                     |
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| None.                              |
| ADJOURNMENT                        |
| The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m. |
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| Chairwoman                         |