



Department of Planning, Zoning, & Historic Preservation

SUMMARY OF MINUTES THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON THE COMMISSION ON ARCHITECTURE & URBAN DESIGN	
MEETING DATE: July 5, 2022	LOCATION: Planning Conference Room, City Hall; Zoom
CALLED TO ORDER: 12:05 p.m.	RECORDER OF MINUTES: Shalin Patel

ROLL CALL		
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
K. Ellsworth (chair)	X (arrived late)	
J. Darrow (vice-chair)	X	
M. E. Mauro	X	
M. Atchie	X	
M. Lombardini		X
D. Nead	X	
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:	TITLE & DEPARTMENT:	
J. Berling	Director, Planning Department	
S. McGee	Historic Preservation & Neighborhood Planner, Planning Department	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
MOTION: To approve the June 7, 2022 meeting minutes.		
FIRST: D. Nead	SECOND: M. E. Mauro	VOTE: PASSED (4-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

BUSINESS ITEM	
ADDRESS: 76 Main Street	CASE NUMBER: CAUD-2022-19
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Certificate of Appropriateness	
DISCUSSION POINTS & THOSE SPEAKING: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff presented the application. • J. Darrow asked about prior electronic messaging signs. • Staff discussed previous similar signs which had been review by the Commission. • J. Holland spoke mentioned that only the static LED section of the sign was proposed to be changed. • M. E. Mauro asked about the size of the poles. • J. Holland explained. • J. Darrow commented about the color of the sign post having no bearing to the appearance of the building. He suggested the posts could be consistent with the building. . 	
VOTING	
MOTION: To approve the application as presented with the following conditions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Applicant must keep and maintain the clock (curved feature) that is positioned on top of the signage in a working fashion, 2) The frame and the posts be painted in a fashion that reflects the color(s) of the mansion, and 	

3) The temporary sign north of the flag pole be removed.		
PUBLIC COMMENT:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> J. Holland, Matzo Signs, Inc., speaking on behalf of the application. 		
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M. Atchie	VOTE: (4-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

BUSINESS ITEM		
ADDRESS: 41 S. Washington Street		CASE NUMBER: CAUD-2022-20
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA:		
Certificate of Appropriateness		
DISCUSSION POINTS & THOSE SPEAKING:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff presented the application. D. Nead stated that he had two concerns. He mentioned the Kilmer sign as an example and that it was installed further offset from the building. He was concerned how the print would look directly upon the building. The second concern he mentioned was if light would bleed through the printed area of the signage in the evening. M. Atchie stated that he thought it would be difficult to match the appearance of the brick and that the sign may look strange as a result. J. Holland explained that he had shown the client several different background colors. J. Holland explained how the print would look. He stated the sign would be three inches thick in order to conceal the electrical work and for future maintenance. He stated the difference would be noticeable. He mentioned that the building owner aims to clean the masonry façade. D. Nead commented he would like to see something distinct, maybe a solid color sign that would reflect the style of the storefront more. Commission members said they would like to see a physical renderings of how the sign would look before making a final decision. D. Nead suggested using gray or dark gray colors for the sign would better match the storefront. J. Darrow mentioned wanted to take a look at other relevant signs. J. Holland said he could develop an example for the Commission as well. 		
PUBLIC COMMENT:		
J. Holland, Matzo Signs, Inc., speaking on behalf of the application.		
VOTING		
MOTION: To table the application until the applicant submits an example of the brick face vinyl for the commission		
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M.E. Mauro	VOTE: (4-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

OTHER BUSINESS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 		

ADJOURNMENT		
Motion to adjourn.		TIME: 12:34 PM
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M.E. Mauro	VOTE: (5-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None