

City of Alamo Heights
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
MINUTES

December 15, 2020

The Architectural Review Board held a regular scheduled meeting at the Council Chambers of the City of Alamo Heights located at 6116 Broadway St, San Antonio, Texas and via Zoom and telephone conference on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at 5:30p.m. due to pandemic, COVID-19, also known as coronavirus.

Members composing a quorum of the Board:

John Gaines, Chairman
Mary Bartlett (via Zoom)
Diane Hays (via Zoom)
Grant McFarland (via Zoom)
Mike McGlone (via Zoom)
Phil Solomon
Lyndsay Thorn

Members absent:

None

Staff members present:

Nina Shealey, Assistant City Manager
Lety Hernandez, Planner

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gaines at 5:32 p.m.

Chairman Gaines announced that the minutes of the November 17, 2020 meeting were not available for review and rescheduled for next regularly scheduled meeting. No action was taken.

Case No. 811 S – Request of Signs LLC, applicant, for permanent signage at 615 Austin Hwy (Ken’s Texaco)

Ms. Shealey presented the case and spoke regarding previously tabled design. A representative of the sign company was available via Zoom and addressed the board.

The board asked for clarification regarding the wordage and lighting. The representative informed that they were proposing channel letters but were not proposing to be lit.

Mr. Thorn moved to approve the signage with the stipulation that it would not be lit. Mr. Solomon seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Gaines, Bartlett, Hays, McGlone, McFarland, Solomon, Thorn
AGAINST: None

Case No. 825 S – Request of GT Sign Co., applicant, for permanent signage at 5140 Broadway (Liquor 3.0)

Ms. Shealey presented the case. Veronica Nunez of GT Sign Co. was available via Zoom and addressed the board.

Mr. McGlone moved to approve the signage as submitted. Mr. Thorn seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Gaines, Bartlett, Hays, McGlone, McFarland, Solomon, Thorn
AGAINST: None

Case No. 824 F – Request of John Grable, FAIA, of John Grable Architects, applicant, representing Frank E. Holmes, owner for the significance review of the existing main structure located at 820 Cambridge Oval in order to demolish 100% of the existing residence and accessory structure(s) under Demolition Review Ordinance No. 1860 (April 12, 2010).

Ms. Shealey presented the case. The board expressed concerns regarding the absence of the applicant and whether or not to table the case. The applicant then joined the meeting via Zoom and addressed the board. Mr. Grable spoke regarding the state of the existing residence and damage due to mold, mildew, and poor drainage. He went on to say that they would be recycling the pine flooring. There were questions regarding the proposed design and concerns of demolition due to neglect and the applicant responded. Mr. Grable added that the structure would not be demolished until the permit was approved for the new construction. An open discussion followed.

Mr. McFarland moved to declare the existing main structure as not significant and recommended approval of the demolition as submitted. Mr. Solomon seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Gaines, Bartlett, Hays, McFarland, Solomon, Thorn
AGAINST: McGlone

There being no further business, Mr. McFarland moved to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Thorn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:08p.m.

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John Gaines, Chairman
(Board Approval)

4/20/21

Date Signed & Filed



Lety Hernandez, Planner
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