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Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, Council Chambers

Minutes

- ❑ **Call to Order: 6:00 pm**
- ❑ **Salute to the Flag**
- ❑ **Roll Call: Chairman Glen Feener, Bob Lucas, Paul Trudel, Mike Mullavey, & Leigh Webb. Absent: Colby Morrill**
 - ❖ **Seat Alternates: Glen Feener seated in place of Colby Morrill.**
- ❑ **Approval of Minutes of the 06/25/2019 Public Hearing Meeting of the Board.** Member Webb motioned for approval of minutes as written. Member Trudel seconded motion. Bob Lucas abstained as he was not at the meeting. **Minutes approved by a vote of 4-0-1.**
- ❑ **New Business:**

H 19-09: Vulgar Brewery Sign facing Marceau Park to be located above door to 378 Central Street in the Buell Block Building.

Brewery owner Damon Lewis was present. He indicated that since he was in last time for the blade sign, he has worked on the design for the wall sign; the design has been simplified a bit, and he believes that the design fits into the character of the downtown and the Buell Building. Member Webb stated that he likes the design and believes it is consistent with blade sign. Member Lucas asked about the lighting and Damon Lewis indicated that the goose-neck lights are in place. The general statements by other Commission members were that the sign is appropriate and fits in well with the building. Members Webb & Mullavey motioned to approve the proposed signage. Voted 5-0-0 to approve.

Other Business:

Planner Lewis reminded the Commission of emails he sent out a few weeks back about the painting of the shed-roof structure on the rear of the Armory building on Memorial Street. The email talked about a professional painting firm donating time and materials for the painting of the walls that face Memorial and the park. He has since learned that the painting company is not able to do this work, and he advised the representative from the Lion's Club that he needs to be informed who will do the work, since his approval was based on the professional firm being involved. If volunteers will be doing the work, the approval is no longer valid. Also, the vegetation along both walls will need to be removed to allow for the proper application of the paint. Member Lucas asked if there was a determination of whether lead paint was on the building now. This will be brought to the attention of the Lion's Club. Additionally, the Club does need approval of the owners to perform any work on the building and the Planner is not aware of any approval to date.

Planner Lewis also raised the topic of the work at the former pizza shop at 169 Central Street. He stated that he had an email from the owner about installing an awning / canopy on the front; he also spoke with a representative from a sign company about wall signage above the door. The rep had not heard anything about the awning so Planner Lewis suggested that she speak with the owner to come up with a final plan and approach. This might be coming before the Commission in the near future. Member Webb asked about electrical connections for any lighting of the exterior signage. The Planner was not aware of any existing wiring. Member Webb also asked about the western wall of the shop, since it is now more exposed with the removal of the former market building that abutted the shop. [Note: Planner Lewis drove by the shop on his way out of town and saw that the exposed wall is a combination of brick and block materials]

Public Comment: Annette Andreozzi stated she believed that the façade work performed on the pizza shop does not match her recollection of the proposed materials. She believed the lower wall improvements would be granite slabs and not the smaller pieces that were installed. She says this is an example of why it is important to have clear design plans for any work in the Historic district. Member Trudel supported the needs for better design plans. Member Webb stated that he did remember a sample of the stone being passed around to the Commission several meetings ago.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 6:35 was made by Member Trudel and seconded by Member Webb. All were in favor.