

FRANKLIN HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

- ❑ **Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.**
- ❑ **Salute to the Flag** – led by Robert Lucas
- ❑ **Roll Call:** Chairman Glen Feener, Councilor Paul Trudel, Tim Stangroom, Robert Lucas, Colby Morrill.
Absent: Alternates James DeBernardo, Sam McLaughlin
- ❑ **Approval of Minutes of the July 12, 2021 Public Hearing Meeting of the Board.**
Member Lucas made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Councilor Trudel. **Motion carried 5-0-0.**
- ❑ **New Business:**

H 21-05: “Thrift Clothes Closet,” tenant, at 357 Central St is applying for a new wall sign and blade sign. The property is owned by PermaCity Life and is located at Map/Lot 117-054-00.

Katherine Fuller, applicant, spoke on behalf of the application. She explained how the existing sign came to be, that it was intended as a temporary sign that came with them when they moved location from across the street and had planned to get a new sign. She gave an overview of the design and that they used the prior tenant *Decato’s* sign as inspiration. She went over the size, colors and type of signs they are proposing and that they had shown the designs to Director Creighton to be sure they would meet the sign regulations.

Ms. Fuller also gave an overview of their organization, their business model, and how they are committed to seeing the City prosper and improving the look of the downtown area. She explained how the blade-sign holder that is currently there belongs to the property owner but they have been given permission to use it. If that changes, they will install their own holder.

Member Stangroom asked for clarification on the blade-sign colors. Ms. Fuller confirmed it will also be black with gold lettering like the proposed wall sign. Councilor Trudel asked for confirmation that the wall sign will be the same size as the old *Decato’s* sign. Ms. Fuller confirmed that it would be.

With no other questions from the Commission, Chairman Feener opened it to public comment. Since no one from the public was in attendance, the public comment was closed and brought back to the Commission. Member Lucas made the following motion:

“I move that the Franklin Heritage Commission approve the proposed wall sign and the blade sign for Thrift Clothes Closet as presented and with the following conditions:

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1. *All of the signage shall conform to the design and color features presented to the Commission, including the requirement to create a wooden 'frame' around the outer edges of the sign.*
2. *A Sign Permit must be obtained from the Planning & Zoning Department.*
3. *A color photo of the finished signs are to be submitted to the Planning & Zoning Department."*

Motion was seconded by Councilor Trudel. **Motion carried 5-0-0.**

❑ **Other Business:**

❑ **Public Comment:** None

❑ **Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn made by Member Stangroom; seconded by Councilor Trudel.

Motion carried 5-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Bibbins

Planning & Zoning Administrative Assistant