



DOWNTOWN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING MINUTES

WHEATON CITY HALL, 303 W WESLEY STREET, WHEATON, ILLINOIS 60187

February 28, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The February 28, 2019 Downtown Design Review Board meeting was called to order in the Gamon Room of the Wheaton City Hall, 303 W. Wesley Street, Wheaton at 6:00 pm. On a roll call, the following were:

Present: Paula Barrington, Nathan Bossenga, Tracy Jones, Kevin Maguire, Steph McGrath

Absent: Craig Farnsworth

City Staff: James P. Kozik AICP, Director of Planning & Economic Development

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 23, 2018

Mr. Maguire moved and Ms. Jones seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2018 Downtown Design Review Board meeting as submitted. On a voice vote, all voted aye.

IV. NEW BUSINESS – 121 N. Cross Street – Building Façade Repainting

Mr. Kozik stated that the owners of 121 N. Cross Street are seeking to repaint the Wheaton 121 property with a new color scheme.

Mr. Kozik stated that review by the Downtown Design Review Board is necessary because Staff has determined that the pattern being proposed for the building is neither muted, natural or neutral as recommended by the guidelines.

Mr. Clay Beverly, DMG Contractors, stated that a similar painting scheme has been used by the owner at some of their other properties across the county.

Ms. McGrath stated that the Library makes use of a mix of materials in a similar fashion as what is being proposed. She stated that the proposed scheme gives the building an almost “Lego” effect that would certainly stand out.

Chair Barrington stated that the **geometric pattern gives movement to the façade of the building.**

Ms. Jones stated that she does not have a concern about the colors that are being proposed as much as the pattern.

Mr. Maguire stated that he both likes the proposed pattern and hates it; and that he would like to see some other options that what is being proposed.

Hearing no further questions or comments, Mr. Maguire then moved and Ms. Jones seconded a motion to continue this matter until such time as a representative of the owner can be present and that at least two other options for the proposed pattern be presented to the Board. On a voice vote, all voted aye.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

James P. Kozik, AICP
Director of Planning & Economic Development