



FARRAGUT VISUAL RESOURCES REVIEW BOARD – Minutes

The Farragut Visual Resources Review Board met on Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Chairman Marty Layman presided. Members in attendance were Marty Layman, Cindy Hollyfield, Alderman Ron Pinchok, Brittany Moore, Randy Armstrong, Derek Wright, and Youth Representative Jake Rogers. Ms. Jeanie Stow was absent.

Chairman Layman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1. Minutes:

A motion was made by Aldermen Pinchok to approve the February 23, 2021 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Moore and it passed unanimously.

2. Ground Mounted Sign Applications:

a) US Cellular (Tenant Panel) – 11661 Parkside Drive

Tenant panel(s) located at 11661 Parkside Dr.

US Cellular requested approval for a tenant panel installation on an existing monument ground sign located at 11661 Parkside Drive.

Staff noted that he had contacted the applicants and suggested they utilize darker shades of blue and red for the lettering, and/or a larger font to improve readability, but no action was taken on the part of the applicant. Staff then noted that the tenant panel did appear to be legible and approvable.

Ms. Hollyfield made a motion to approve the sign panel as presented and Mr. Armstrong seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and it passed unanimously.

b) Pep Boy's Ground Sign – 10839 Kingston Pike

Ground Sign located at 10839 Kingston Pike.

Pep Boy's requested approval for a monument ground sign located at 10839. The request involved refacing and making improvements to an existing sign structure on the site. The applicant's plan included adding a brick base to the existing sign structure, but because of the way the sign was originally constructed, they could not achieve a full two feet of base height. The required landscaping will also be reestablished around the sign.

Given the existing nature of the sign structure, the staff recommended approval of the new sign face and other improvements.

The Board discussed the application. Ms. Moore suggested that they move the landscaping shrubs to the sides of the sign to avoid blocking the sign face. Ms. Moore then made a motion to approve the sign and Mr. Wright seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and it passed unanimously.

3. Landscape Plan Applications:

a) Horizon Plaza – 11011 Kingston Pike

Landscape Plan for Horizon Plaza (proposed development) located at 11011 Kingston Pike.

This item involved a landscape plan for the Horizon Plaza development located at 11011 Kingston Pike. The site plan for the overall development was reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission in February, subject to some modifications or additions.

The staff noted that the applicants had submitted a revised plan earlier that day which appeared to address staff's original comments and requested corrections. Staff then noted that he did, however, want to look the revised plan over in more detail. It was also noted that, if approved, the Board would be allowing the use of Winter King Hawthorn on the plan as a shade tree substitution.

The Board discussed the plan. Chairman Layman made a motion to approve the plan subject to final staff review with the understanding that staff could refer the plan back to the Board if any additional issues were identified. Alderman Pinchok seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Other Business

a) Staff Report

Staff provided a follow-up report on the landscape plan for Kingston Pike Village, Phase II, and the impact of some of the proposed plantings on fire lane access. The staff reported that he had discussed the issue with the Fire Marshal and that he looks for a clear space of 13'6" high by 16' wide along the fire lane to move a truck through. The Fire Marshal also noted that his department liked to see a 15' wide space available to put a ladder up for roof access. Staff then noted that the Fire Marshal had taken another look at the plan and was fine with the proposed plantings at the south end of the grocery store building. This was based on the sizes of the proposed trees at maturity, and available pruning options. In addition, staff also noted that the landscape architect was going to look at the issue again to see if any other adjustments were warranted given the Fire Marshal's input.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm