

Discussion: Application is for the installation of 2 aluminum signs to be attached to the Depot Town switch tower.

Motion: Henricksen (Second: Rupert) moves to approve the application for work on the Depot Town switch tower (corner of Cross and River Streets) as shown on drawings dated 5-25-10 with the understanding that the off-white background shall be solid and not striped.

Secretary of Interior Standards cited: #10 – new work shall be removable.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carried.

312 N River

Applicant: Corinne Sikorski, owner (present)

Discussion: Application is for the installation of a retaining wall, improved parking lot and landscaping features. Application also to include the addition of two beehives and two educational signs between the Food Co-op and Utilities Unlimited.

Motion: Henricksen (Second: Rupert) moves to approve the application for work at 312 N River to include a retaining wall to be built using Country Manor stone, native landscaping, improved parking as per drawings dated 5-12-10. Work shall also include two beehives, stepping stones, two educational signs as well as native landscaping to be installed at the side lot.

Secretary of Interior Standards cited: #5 – preserve distinctive features, #10 – new work shall be removable.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carried.

112 W Michigan

Applicant: Sonah Dioubate, owner (present)

Discussion: Application is for the installation of two wall signs to be located in the transom/valance area.

Motion: Henricksen (Second: Condon) moves to approve the application for work on 112 W Michigan to include the installation of two Dibond signs to be painted green with white lettering and attached with wood screws and washers. Washers shall be painted the same color as the sign and shall be corrosion resistant. It is recommended that the entire signboard be painted to match the signage.

Secretary of Interior Standards cited: #10 – new work shall be removable.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carried.

102 N Hamiton

Applicant: Colleen O'Brien, Ozone House representative, (present)

Discussion: Application is for the re-painting of the exterior of the property.

Motion: Henricksen (Second: Rupert) moves to approve the application for work at 102 N Hamilton to include re-painting of the exterior of the house with the following colors: Escapade Gold (SW 6403) for the body, Kimono Violet (SW 6839) for

the window trim, newel posts, and porch base and Euphoric Lilac (SW 6835) as accent color for porch trim and skirting. Paint shall be satin finish rather than a flat finish.

Secretary of Interior Standards cited: #10 – new work shall be removable.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carried.

124 Pearl

Applicant: Antinette Stigler, owner, (not present)

Discussion: Application is for the installation of a vinyl awning.

Motion: Rupert (Second: Condon) moves to approve the application for work at 124 Pearl to include the installation of a black, canvas awning with vinyl lettering as per the drawing dated 5-25-10.

Secretary of Interior Standards cited: #10 – new work shall be removable.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carried.

STUDY ITEMS

Washington Street Planters, Colleen O'Brien and Jessica DeBlacam

The Ozone House, in conjunction with the Ypsilanti DDA, would like to apply words on the Washington Street planters (now painted dk. Green) which would be inspired by youth memoir projects. Each planter would have six words painted on it, content to be monitored by the DDA, which would represent the celebratory nature of living in the city of Ypsilanti. These words would be applied using a paint-mask stencil, which would be a one-time letting job and would be approximately 6" high. Two signs are also proposed to be attached to existing street signs. These signs would explain the project. Maintenance would be dealt with by EMU and the DDA. HDC is primarily favorable, but is concerned about possible graffiti.

328 E Cross, Michael Newberry (owner)

Mr. Newberry has a garage stall at the rear of his property which was built in the 1920s, but has been sinking into the ground and has become unsafe. He requests ideas from the HDC about what the best course of action to take would be in order to repair the structure. Suggestions from both owner and HDC include dismantling the structure, making repairs and then reassembly. It may also be possible to replace the sill or install a new footer. The home owner would like it done safely and in a timely fashion.

Forest Ave – bike lanes

Two new bike lanes are being proposed to link the Border-to-Border trail in Washtenaw County. The bike lanes would affect Forest Ave in the historic district and would include widening of the street by five feet on either side. This widening would affect three tree removals and several other trees would have to be re-located. So far HDC feels that this would generally be a waste of greenery and would like to see if there are secondary solutions that could be considered. HDC also feels that this would significantly change the look of the streetscape.

Ypsilanti Historical Society

The YHS would like to install 43 new storm windows and make repairs on 30 window panes. HDC would prefer wood over aluminum for the storms, but more research will need to be done to see the cost effectiveness and efficiency between wood and aluminum clad storms.

Depot Town Commuter Rail

There is still discussion about when the commuter rail might be utilized in Ypsilanti (possibly 2011-2012), but a platform and enclosures have been proposed to be built. Plans proposed so far have been very simple, but more information is needed before formal application/approval can be given.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS –

1. 416 N Huron

Motion: Pettit (Second: Henricksen) moves to approve the administrative approval for re-roofing.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Property Monitoring

109 Ferris – No new information
201 W. Michigan – No new information
215 S. Washington – No new information
310 N. Park – No new information
309 N. Park – No new information
526 N. Huron – No new information
314 N. Park – No new information
328 Oak – No new information
330 E. Forest – No new information
204 E. Forest – No new information

120 W. Michigan – No new information
208 E. Cross – No new information
215 N. Hamilton – No new information
310 Maple – No new information
114 Woodward – No new information
218 Ferris – No new information
407 E. Cross – No new information
224-226 W. Michigan – No new information
301 Maple – No new information
Motorcycle Café – No new information

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - none

HOUSEKEEPING BUSINESS – none

Approval of the minutes of May 11, 2010

Motion: Rupert (Second: Henriksen) moves to approve the minutes as submitted.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carries.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Henricksen (Second: Pettit) moves to adjourn the meeting.

Approval: Unanimous. Motion carries.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 pm