

**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
DESIGN REVIEW & PRESERVATION BOARD**

MINUTES

January-13-2010

Present

J. BIANCO, CHAIR
N. STAMLER
S. KOVACH
B. SHOEMAKER
B. PLUMLEY
B. KRONENBERGER

Absent

P. EVANS, VICE CHAIR

Also Present

M. WACKERS

Jeff Bianco called the meeting to order. See no minutes for the Board to review, Jeff Bianco called for the first item on the agenda.

First, Marie Kalita-Leary presented proposed Wayfinding and Signage project for the downtown. Steven Kovach motioned to approve the proposed wayfinding and signage proposal with the recommendations that the idea of a Middletown stylized logo be either reworked or evaluated if it was needed. The blue should stand out more so as not to be so dark that it disappears in the background. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

Motion to approve the proposed wayfinding and signage proposal with the recommendations that the idea of a Middletown stylized logo be either reworked or evaluated if it was needed. The blue should stand out more so as not to be so dark that it disappears in the background.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Vacant						X
Steven Kovach	X		X			
Brian Kronenberger			X			
Bruce Plumley			X			
Ben Shoemaker			X			
Nancy Stamler		X	X			
Vacant						X
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Motion approved.						

Second, Staff presented the proposed signage proposal for Becker's Jewelry at 700 Washington Street. Bruce Plumley motioned to approve the sign as presented. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

Motion to approve the proposed sign for Becker's Jewelry.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Vacant						X
Steven Kovach			X			

Brian Kronenberger			X			
Bruce Plumley	X		X			
Ben Shoemaker			X			
Nancy Stamler		X	X			
Vacant						X
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Motion approved.						

Third, staff presented the proposed signage proposal for Cellular Factory at 390 Main Street. Bruce Plumley motioned to approve the sign as presented with the condition that the awning be opaque. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

Motion to approve the sign as presented with the condition that the awning be opaque.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Vacant						X
Steven Kovach			X			
Brian Kronenberger			X			
Bruce Plumley	X		X			
Ben Shoemaker			X			
Nancy Stamler		X	X			
Vacant						X
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Motion approved.						

Fourth, staff presented an overview of the Downtown Housing Incentive Zone study that is looking to review the downtown's potential for residential development and what steps need to be taken to foster that development. Staff reported that Design Review and Preservation Board was been tasked with an advisory and feedback role to review components of the project. The project would begin once the City signed a contract with the State for the grant that is being used to fund the project.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

 Michiel Wackers, Deputy Director of Planning, Conservation & Development