



The City of Seattle

Ballard Avenue Landmark District Board

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MINUTES OF THE April 1, 2010 MEETING

TIME: 9:00 A.M.
PLACE: Ballard Neighborhood Service Center
5604 22nd Avenue NW

BOARD MEMBERS

Chad Dale
Kathleen Durham
Joseph Herrin
Richard Hiner
Jim Riggle, Vice Chair
Tobin Thompson, Chair
Patrick Wellnitz

STAFF

Heather McAuliffe

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. by Board Chair, Tobin Thompson.

040110.1 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL

040110.11 Kavu/Russ Fry
5421 Ballard Ave NW
Barry Barr

Application to install vinyl sign.

Staff Report: Heather McAuliffe distributed photos showing the sign and its context. She explained that the sign had already been installed. The relevant guidelines were 7. Transparency and 13. Signs.

Applicant Comment: There were no comments from the applicant.

Public Comment: There were no comments from the public.

Board Discussion: Board members concurred that the sign was consistent with sign and transparency guidelines.

Motion: Richard Hiner made a motion to approve the application as presented.

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040110.12 Metropolitan Accounting Services, Inc.
5341 Ballard Ave NW
Kimberly Martin, Patric Davidson

Application to install two single-sided signs.

Staff Report: Heather McAuliffe explained that one sign would be installed on the front of the house and the second would be installed toward the back, visible to 22nd Ave NW. She distributed photos, renderings, details on the method of attachment, and color/material samples. The relevant guideline was 13. Signs.

Applicant Comment: The applicant's representative, Patric Davidson, showed an example of the lustreboard material. He explained that it was a piece of plywood sandwiched between two pieces of aluminum, covered with a vinyl print. The sign would be two square feet. Two screws would be used to attach each sign.

Public Comment: There were no comments from the public.

Board Discussion: The Board discussed the material, noting that vinyl signs are allowed while extruded aluminum signs are discouraged. The applicant's representative confirmed that there would not be extruded aluminum lettering. Board members concurred that the sign met the sign guidelines.

Motion: Richard Hiner made a motion to approve the sign as presented.

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040110.13 The Noble Fir
5316 Ballard Ave NW
Ellen Kelly

Application to install blade sign, sign lighting and interior blinds.

Staff Report: Heather McAuliffe distributed a drawing of the sign, a rendering, details on the method of attachment for the sign, catalog cuts for the lights and blinds, and a photo. The relevant guidelines were 7. Transparency and 13. Signs.

Applicant Comment: Ellen Kelly explained that they were opening a beer, wine and cider tavern with a wilderness theme. She showed color and material samples for the sign and the bracket. She explained that the lights would be similar to the lights mounted for the adjacent business, Moshi Moshi – low voltage spot lights on either side of the sign. She said the blinds will be transparent solar shades, and will be drawn only during hours when it is too warm.

Public Comment: An owner of Bastille Restaurant expressed support for the application.

Board Discussion:

Joseph Herrin asked what the business's operating hours would be. Ellen Kelly answered that the business will be open from 4 p.m. until midnight, on weekdays and Saturdays, and from 12 p.m. until midnight on Sundays.

Tobin Thompson asked when the blinds would be closed. Ellen Kelly responded that the blinds would only be closed when patrons are seated next to the windows and would be open otherwise. She confirmed that the transom windows would not be covered.

In order to maintain maximum transparency into the space, the Board determined that the blinds should be approved for use only during peak hours of sun.

Motion: James Riggle made a motion to approve the application for blinds in the storefront windows with the condition that the shades be drawn during peak sun hours and open at all other times, including when the business is closed.

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The Board next discussed the proposed blade sign and lighting. The Board confirmed that the lights would be incandescent and focused only on the sign itself. The applicant confirmed that the conduit would run through the wall and that there would be a small junction box for each light mounted on the exterior wall. There was a discussion about the method of attachment.

Motion: Richard Hiner made a motion to approve the application for the blade sign and lighting as presented.

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D'Ambrosio Gelateria
5339 Ballard Ave NW
Marco D'Ambrosio/Enzo D'Ambrosio, Richard Hiner

Application to install blade sign, sign lighting and painted/vinyl signage.

Richard Hiner recused himself from participation in the Board's review due to a conflict in interest.

Staff Report: Heather McAuliffe distributed drawings, details on the method of attachment for the blade sign, photos renderings, catalog cuts for the sign lighting, and color/material samples. The relevant guidelines were 7. Transparency and 13. Signs.

Applicant Comment: Jim from Richard Hiner Architects described the wood blade sign. He explained that the sign would be mounted on the 6" x 12" wood beam and described the method of attachment. Vinyl signs will be installed in the windows. Two lights will be mounted on either side of the sign, attached to the wood beam.

Public Comment: There were no comments from the public.

Board Discussion: There was a discussion about the size of the blade sign compared to other blade signs in the area, because it appeared to be larger. The Board also discussed the proposed color for the vinyl signs, and whether or not they would be too bright. The Board determined that the proposed sign lighting conformed to the guidelines.

Motion: Patrick Wellnitz made a motion to approve the application as presented.

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6-0-1 (Richard Hiner recused)

040110.2 BOARD BUSINESS

Architect Mike Skidmore and Deming MacLise from Bastille Restaurant showed a proposed design for screen walls to be added to the outdoor seating at the restaurant and used during inclement weather. The Board provided informal feedback on the proposal.

040110.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the February 4, 2010 meeting.

Motion: James Riggle made a motion to approve the minutes as written.

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040110.4 **REPORT OF THE CHAIR:** Tobin Thompson stated that he thought the proposal for the screen walls was appropriate but that it would have been ideal to review the proposal as part of the original patio proposal.

040110.5 **STAFF REPORT:** There was no report.

Richard Hiner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tobin Thompson seconded the motion.

10:12 a.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather McAuliffe
Board Coordinator