

Montpelier Design Review Committee

March 11, 2008

Memorial Room, City Hall

Subject to Review and Approval

Present: Margot George, Chair; Stephen Everett, Vice Chair; Vicki Lane, Eric Gilbertson, Soren Pfeffer, Guy Tapper and James Duggan.
Staff: Clancy DeSmet, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Call to Order:

Margot George, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

I. 11 Main Street – CB-I/DCD

Applicant: Tyre DaVerray

Owner: Jeff Jacobs

Sign with vinyl lettering.

Margot George recused herself from participating in the application.

Stephen Everett, Vice Chair, chaired this portion of the meeting. The applicant, Tyre DaVerray, brought in samples of the sign to show the committee.

Mr. DaVerray said the only difference from the original application is that he prefers the red background because he believes it will help the white lettering stand out more. The name really doesn't say Tattoo shop or body piercing. His preference would be to use the images as well.

Ms. Lane asked if he knew how he was going to depict the images. Mr. DaVerray said they would be vinyl stickered onto the sign. They are photogenic images. The sign is about 31.5 inches tall and the sign height would be 27 inches giving a border top and bottom with the green. There is 15 feet to work with and he plans on staying within 12 to 14 feet leaving a border on either side.

One of the members asked Mr. DaVerray if had considered having a little outline on the lettering. That might help the lettering stand out a little more. A little bit of black around the letters might magnify the letters.

Mr. DaVerray said he is considering using vinyl lettering or something cut out. He is sure he can afford the vinyl lettering. Mr. Gilbertson said he uses the vinyl lettering he should have an outline on it. Mr. DaVerray said he liked the look.

Ms. Lane said she prefers the matte finish. Mr. Gilbertson said he prefers the matte. Mr. DaVerray said the letters are going to be a matte finish; that is why he went for the glossy background. He doesn't want the light reflecting off the letters. The committee preferred the background with a matte finish and glossy letters.

The DRC reviewed the sign criteria and found the application met the criteria. The sign is smaller than the one previously approved. The size of the sign is conforming to adjacent storefronts in the same building. The sign background is to be matte red color with a maximum height of 27 inches and maximum length of 12 feet. The lettering can be either gloss or matte finish vinyl with thin black outline or matte finish white plexiglass with applied lettering. The committee gave the applicant of using either sign design with or without tattoo symbols.

Mr. Everett said the applicant has the option for either design, with or without the symbols. The sign background is to be a matte red colored plexiglass, with a maximum height of 27 inches and a maximum length of 12 feet. The lettering can be either gloss or matte finish white vinyl with a thin black outline, or gloss or matte finish white plexiglass applied lettering.

The application was approved by the DRC on a 5-0 vote. Chair, Margot George recused herself from voting on the application.

II. 79 Barre Street – CB-I/DCD

Applicant: Patty Ribolini

Owner: Stephen Ribolini

Repaint building.

Margot George resumed chairing the committee for the Ribolini application.

Ms. Ribolini's application is for the exterior painting of the building. The body is grey and the trim is white. The doors are a blue/black.

The DRC reviewed the criteria and found the application met all criteria. The application was approved by the DRC on a 5-0 vote.

III. 7 Baldwin Street – CIV/DCD

Applicant: Randall Contracting

Owner: Ralph and Sharon Gerlach

Construction of eight parking spaces on Terrace Street and gravel walk to the existing building on Baldwin Street.

Mr. DeSmet said the application is going to change. He met with Tom McArdle and Glenn Moore today and there are issues with ADA accessibility and parking. He suggested the DRC table the application. The previous application had elevations because he was doing work on the building. This application doesn't have any work on the building, but only landscaping and parking. Mr. Everett said he has a problem with commercial parking in a residential neighborhood.

DRC tabled the application for 7 Baldwin Street.

Approval of February 28, 2008 DRC Minutes:

The Minutes of the February 28, 2008 DRC meeting were approved with minor changes on a vote of 5-0.

Adjournment:

The Design Review Committee adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Clancy DeSmet
Planning and Zoning Administrator

Transcribed by: Joan Clack