



**MINUTES
OF
THE REGULAR MEETING OF
SIGN BOARD OF APPEALS
OF
CITY OF ANN ARBOR**

October 8, 2002

The regular meeting of the Housing Board of Appeals was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. in the Fourth Floor Conference Room of City Hall, 100 N. Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

I. The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m. by Chairman Steve Schweer.

II. Roll Call:

Members Present: (4) S. Schweer, S. Knight, C. Brummer, G. Barnett, Jr.

Members Absent: (1) S. Olsen

Staff Present: (2) J. Turnbull, L. Bowen

III. Approval of minutes

G. Barnett, Jr. moved, supported by, C. Brummer to approve the minutes of May 9, 2000 and July 10, 2001 with corrections. The minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. APPEALS & ACTION - UNFINISHED

None.

V. APPEALS & ACTION - NEW

1. 2002-S-1, 603 E. Liberty

A variance from Chapter 61 of the City Ordinance Code; Section 5:502, to allow installation of a 317 sq. ft. blade in addition to the existing 200 sq. ft. of signage permitted for this site.

The petitioner is also requesting a variance from Chapter 61; Section 5:508 to allow the chase (or follow) lights on the blade sign to blink, creating the illusion of movement.

Patrick Roach, Darren Mc Kinnon and Russ Collins were there to speak on behalf of this appeal.

Staff Report

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Staff

Staff is not opposed to this request based on the fact that the sign and chase lights are an integral part of the original blade sign, and based on the recommendation of the Historic District Commission in accordance with Section 5:517 (3) of Chapter 61.

History

File records reveal that the Michigan Theater was built in 1928. The City of Ann Arbor purchased the building in 1979.

Discussion

P. Roach explained request.

R. Collins spoke on request.

J. Turnbull explained staff's position and stated staff did not oppose.

After further discussion;

S. Knight moved, supported by, G. Barnett, Jr. to grant a variance from Chapter 61 of the City Ordinance Code; Section 5:502, to allow installation of a 317 sq. ft. blade in addition to the existing 200 sq. ft. of signage permitted for this site

The vote to grant the variance was as follows:

Ayes: (4) S. Schweer, S. Knight, C. Brummer, G. Barnett, Jr.

Nays: (0) None

Absent: (1) S. Olsen

Motion carried. Variance granted as stated.

S. Knight moved, supported by, G. Barnett, Jr. to grant variance from Chapter 61; Section 5:508 to allow the chase (or follow) lights on the blade sign to blink, creating the illusion of movement was granted with the following contingencies:

- 1. Chase lights shall be allowed 15 minutes for each feature.**

The vote to grant the variance was as follows:

Ayes: (4) S. Schweer, S. Knight, C. Brummer, G. Barnett, Jr.

Nays: (0) None

Absent: (1) S. Olsen

Motion carried. Variance granted as stated.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VIII. REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

None.

IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - GENERAL

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, G. Barnett, Jr. moved that the meeting be adjourned. Chairman Steve Schweer adjourned the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Bowen

Lynn Bowen Secretary
Sign Board of Appeals

Steve Schweer, Chairman

Dated

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