

Montpelier Design Review Committee Meeting
March 21, 2016

Approved as Revised on April 4, 2016

Present: Steve Everett – chair, Eric Gilbertson, Hannah Smith, Theodore Fetter, Liz Pritchett, Ben Cheney (alternate), Sarah McShane – staff.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Steve Everett, Chair.

Approval of the agenda: Eric moved to approve the agenda as presented, Ben seconded. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Comments from the Chair: The items on the agenda will be moved around.

Informal Review of sidewalk butlers

Applicant: Linn Perkins Syz for Montpelier Alive!

Cigarette butts are a huge mess in the city. A man in Maine has developed metal sidewalk butlers for around \$ 80/piece. There have been some grants received to purchase and install six of them around town. They will be installed on light poles except for one on Langdon Street in front on Onion River Sports. They will use the Montpelier color scheme, the recycling symbol, and the developer's logo. There will also be info on quitting.

The Trash Tramps will empty them every Tuesday. Central Vermont Solid Waste sells them to TerraCycle, who uses the old cigarette butts to make outside furniture after they remove the tobacco. The committee had some color and design suggestions.

Langdon Street Alive

Applicant: Architects Ward Joyce and Steve Frey

Temporary artwork

They want to place a piece of artwork at both ends of Langdon Street. There will also be pieces of art placed on buildings. There are many possibilities depending on the artists who are chosen.

These will only be displayed in the summer and reviewed after this summer if the project is to continue.

There are 35-40 artists who have expressed interest in presenting projects.

90 Main Street Owner: Doug Nedde

100 Main Street Owner: Karl Miller (withdrawn by applicant and property owner)

13 State Street Owner: River Street Associates

4 Langdon Street Owner: Interstate Enterprises

7 Langdon Street Owner: Leeds Brewer dba Cold Comfort, LLC

8 Langdon Street Owner: Andrew Brewer

The Commission requested that the general terms should be that no artwork should cover architectural details, there be no commercial messages, and that no attachments cause any damage. The applicants will be back in August in there are any pieces that may stay up past the ending date of October 31, 2016.

[audio and video quit before the ending of the meeting]

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary