

Montpelier Design Review Committee
January 13, 2009
Council Chambers, City Hall

Subject to Review and Approval

Present: Stephen Everett, Vice-Chair; Eric Gilbertson, James Duggan, Nancy Mears, and Guy Tapper. Staff: Clancy DeSmet, Planning and Zoning Administrator.

Call to Order:

Stephen Everett, Vice-Chair, called the meeting of the Design Review Committee of January 13, 2009 to order at 5:30 P.M.

Mr. Everett explained the advisory nature of the Design Review Committee who makes recommendations to the Development Review Board.

I. 89 Main Street/City Center – CB-I/DCD

Applicant: Arnco Sign Co.

Owner: City Center Associates

Replace Unicel sign with AT&T sign.

Interested Party: Jeremy Waycott, Arnco Signs

Mr. Waycott said the sign they are proposing is much like the existing sign except for the colors. Unicel was bought out by AT&T and converted all of their locations in Vermont. The AT&T sign is a little larger than what exists. It is still externally illuminated with the same two goosenecks that are up there. It is a metal sign, 2' x 2" globe, and 20" channel letters. It is a metal sign. The face of the globe would actually be a lexan material. They use white letters or black letters with storefronts.

Mr. Everett inquired what the material was.

Mr. Waycott said it would be a plastic face. The side section of it would be metal also. The letters are completely metal.

Mr. Gilbertson asked if they projected out a little.

Mr. Waycott added just a tiny bit. The letters are about 3 inches and the globe is about 5 inches.

Mr. DeSmet said the maximum projection is 12 inches.

Mr. Everett asked what the height of the lettering on the Unicel sign was.

Mr. Waycott said he wasn't sure. He asked if there was a height restriction he wasn't supposed to go above.

Mr. DeSmet said no, as long as it within the sign band.

Mr. Duggan asked if they were attaching it to the wall with bolts.

Mr. Waycott replied yes.

Mr. Everett said it is a wooden band.

Mr. Waycott said AT&T is very strict about what patching and painting looks like. Everything has to be perfect on their storefronts, so if they don't like the way patching and painting comes out they would make them paint the entire storefront band to be new condition.

The DRC reviewed the sign criteria and found the application to be acceptable. The vote to approve the application was unanimous on a vote of 5 to 0.

Approval of December 23, 2008 Minutes:

Upon motion by Mr. Gilbertson, seconded by James Duggan, the Minutes of the December 23, 2008 meeting were approved with minor revisions on a vote of 4 to 0.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Mr. Gilbertson and Mr. Everett, the Design Review Committee adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Clancy DeSmet
Planning & Zoning Administrator