

BAR ACTIONS

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

Regular Meeting

September 15, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

City Council Chambers - City Hall



Welcome to this Regular Monthly Meeting of the Charlottesville Board of Architectural Review (BAR). After presentations by staff and the applicant, members of the public will be allowed two opportunities to speak. Speakers shall identify themselves, and give their current address. The Chair will first ask for questions from the public, then from the BAR. After questions are closed, the Chair will ask for comments from the public. Members of the public will have, for each case, up to three minutes to ask questions, and up to three minutes to comment. Comments should be limited to the BAR's jurisdiction; that is, regarding the exterior design of the building and site. Following the BAR's discussion, and before the vote, the applicant shall be allowed up to three minutes to respond, for the purpose of clarification. Thank you for participating.

PLEASE NOTE THE TIMES GIVEN ARE APPROXIMATE AND ARE INTENDED TO BE A GUIDE. THE ACTUAL MEETING MAY BE LONGER OR SHORTER.

Members Present: Miller, Schwarz, DeLoach, Sarafin, Earnst, Graves, Keesecker, Mohr

Members Absent: Knott

5:30 A. Matters from the public not on the agenda (please limit to 5 minutes)

- 1. ArtBridge – Introduction to the BAR Rodney Durso explained concept of temporary art at construction sites. BAR was supportive of future administrative approvals.**

B. Consent Agenda (Note: Any consent agenda item may be pulled and moved to the regular agenda if a BAR member wishes to discuss it, or if any member of the public is present to comment on it. Pulled applications will be discussed at the beginning of the meeting.)

- 1. Minutes July 21, 2015**

The July 21st 2015 minutes passed (7-0-1, with Mohr abstaining).

C. Deferred or Previously Considered Items

5:40 2. Certificate of Appropriateness Application (deferred from August)

BAR 15-07-01

900 West Main Street

Tax Parcel 10007800

AT&T Mobility, Owner/ Shannon Kraiger (Velocitel), Applicant

Replace existing antennas and redesign stealth enclosures

The BAR approved the application as submitted (8-0).

5:55 3. Certificate of Appropriateness Application (details remaining from June approval)

BAR 15-06-01

409 3rd Street N.E. and 215 East High Street

Tax Parcel 330072000 and 330074000

Roger Birle, Applicant/James Knokr, Owner

Landscape and Lighting Plan

The BAR approved the application, including lighting, as submitted (8-0) with a landscape plant selections to be administratively approved.

D. New Items

6:10 4. Certificate of Appropriateness Application

BAR 15-09-07
200 2nd Street SW
Tax Parcel 280069000, 280071000-280075000
Powe Studio Architects, Applicant/Market Plaza LLC, Owner
Refinements to building and plaza and landscape design

The BAR approved the application as submitted (6-1-1 with Keesecker opposed and Schwarz recused) with the exception of: adding a planter wall next to the grand stair between old 1st Street and the parking lot; change to granite banding in the tree lawn will be 8" and 24" to align with plaza brickwork; and back to the original brick base design on the building.

- 6:30 5. **Certificate of Appropriateness Application**
BAR 15-09-09
Garrett Street/Ridge Street Bridge
Carrie Rainey, Applicant/City of Charlottesville, Owner
Landscape and Hardscape Improvement

The BAR approved the stair and sidewalk plan (8-0), with the landscaping plan and grading to come back to the BAR for approval. They also requested an investigation into a lower fence (5 feet versus 8 feet) with an accurate depiction of that height on the drawing.

- 6:50 6. **Certificate of Appropriateness Application**
BAR 15-09-02
123 4th Street NW
Tax Parcel 320185000
Georgeann Wilcoxson, Applicant/Drop-In Center, Owner
Replace rusted tin roof with asphalt shingles, replace windows, and add exterior siding

Although the roof replacement does not satisfy the BAR's criteria, and is not compatible with this property and other properties in the Downtown ADC district, the BAR approves (8-0) the change to the roof material [from standing seam metal roof to asphalt shingles] with the request that staff reports in the future shall reflect a standing seam metal roof once the shingle roof needs to be replaced; and the other components of the application are denied at this time, but a switch to mini-splits, HVAC, and other interior recommendations by LEAP are approved and encouraged, and a change in the back of the house for any wood siding to be insulated and replaced with Hardi siding if needed.

- 7:20 7. **Certificate of Appropriateness Application**
BAR 15-09-08
1309 West Main Street
Tax Parcel 100016000
Charlottesville Mural Project, Applicant/RAAJ Charlottesville, LLC, Owner
Mural on west-façade, facing The Rotunda.

The BAR approved the application as submitted (8-0).

- 7:40 8. **Certificate of Appropriateness Application**
BAR 15-09-06
206 West Market Street
Tax Parcel 330270000
David Ackerman, Applicant/Biarritz, LLC, Owner
Three story addition with fire stair and partial roof deck over second story

The applicant asked for a preliminary discussion. The BAR is in favor of the addition and asks for further thought regarding the nature of material on the little box, and real samples and colors to come back at a later meeting.

- 8:00 9. **Certificate of Appropriateness Application**
BAR 15-09-03

1025 Wertland Street
Tax Parcel 04035000
Richard T. Spurzem, Applicant/Neighborhood Investments UVA LP, Owner
Remove two decks and refinish the original wood siding by removing the asbestos siding

The BAR approved the application as submitted (8-0).

8:20 10. Certificate of Appropriateness Application

BAR 15-09-04
1109 Wertland Street
Tax Parcel 04035000
Richard T. Spurzem, Applicant/Neighborhood Investments UVA LP, Owner
Remove multiple additions that were added to the North elevation, construct a new two-story addition on the North elevation, and remove existing metal horizontal siding from the house and install new painted fiberglass siding.

The BAR approved the demolition of rear additions and the proposed new rear addition (8-0), but would like to see lighting, trim details, how to resolve siding, windows, roof details, and an investigation of lowering the flat roof. Also the BAR approved replacing the metal siding with Hardi siding, or removing what's there and refinishing the existing siding if possible, with a preference for that option.

8:40 11. Preliminary Discussion

550 East Water Street
Tax Parcel 530162300
Neal Sansovich, Owner/ Andrew Baldwin, Applicant
New Mixed-Use Complex

Graves recused himself from the discussion. The BAR asked staff to provide an explanation of how height is averaged, with examples of how it has been done in the past.

Some comments: Lower height is huge improvement; continue to make it relate to smaller buildings on sides, similar to a 2-story building plus a top; richer texture/details on lower levels; garage opening and trellis are strong and help pedestrian experience.

9:10 12. Preliminary Discussion

BAR 15-09-05
425,501,503 West Main Street
Tax Parcel 320175000, 320176000, 320177000
William H. Atwood, Applicant/The Sutton Group, Owner
New Mixed Use Development

BAR questioned if zoning requires bringing the building to W Main Street, or could it just front on Commerce? Questioned if there is room for driveway and building on W Main frontage. Not sure if ziggurat on Commerce is correct massing.

9:40 E. Other Business

PLACE Task Force- Tim Mohr

Place-making summit – part of TED-X? Include BAR work sessions as part of that – “What zoning means to the BAR.”

Melanie Miller presented topics for PLACE to discuss: lighting, style guide for the whole city; work with Dominion Power on undergrounding utilities to create a plan.

West Main Street plan is before Council.

Carl Schwarz asked about adding “why’s” to guidelines so reasoning is understandable.

He noted that signage should be added to tell pedestrians how far it is to walk to a specific destination.

Note to Joe Rice that the TV public should be able to see the BAR applications on the screen.

10:00 F. Adjournment 11:35 p.m.