FORM-BASED CODE COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 14, 2021

The duly advertised meeting of the Form-Based Code Committee was held on January 14, 2020, at 2:02 p.m. electronically, via Zoom. Chair Jim Williamson called the meeting to order and announced that the meeting is being recorded. Secretary Levi Witt called the roll and swore in all those who would be addressing the Committee. Development Review Planner Sarah Robbins explained the additional rules of procedures.

Members Present: Marcus Jones, David Hudson, Jim Williamson, Caroline Hetzler, Anca Rader, Beverly Bell

Members Absent:

Staff Members Present: Development Review Planner Sarah Robbins, Secretary Levi Witt and City Attorney Harolda Bryson

Jim Williamson explained the rules of procedures.

Roll Call: Levi Witt called the roll.

Swearing In: Levi Witt swore in everyone who wanted to speak to the Committee.

Applicants Present: Dave Fidati

Officer Elections: David Hudson made a motion to nominate Jim Williamson for Chair of the Form-Based Code Committee. Anca Rader seconded the motion. All in favor, votes taken by roll call, the motion was unanimously approved. Jim Williamson made a motion to nominate Beverly Bell for vice-Chair of the Form-Based Code Committee. Caroline Hetzler seconded the motion. All in favor, votes taken by roll call, the motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes: David Hudson made a motion to approve the December 2020 meeting minutes. Caroline Hetzler seconded the motion. All in favor, votes taken by roll call, the motion was unanimously approved.

Sarah Robbins explained the additional rules of procedure.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Case #FBC-20-20 - 1817 Broad Street, Unit 109 - Major modification for signage

Project Description:

The applicant, Dave Fidati, has applied for the following modifications:

- 1. Allow signage on parapet wall (not to exceed 6' from roof surface) over a space not occupied by tenants as these tenants do not occupy a space where signage would be visible.
- 2. Use of gateway / entry / archway sign to create a community / multi-tenant site and provide visibility to businesses in place of a monument sign.

Applicant Dave Fidati spoke to the Committee. Mr. Fidati explained his reasoning for the requested modification. Mr. Fidati also answered questions from the Committee about the application.

Discussion: A discussion was had between the Committee members. David Hudson made a motion to partially approve Case #FBC-20-20: 203 1817 Broad Street, Unit 109, as submitted pursuant to the Chattanooga City Code, Section 38-596(4) and pursuant to the Form-Based Code, subject to any and all conditions. Beverly Bell seconded the motion. All in favor, votes taken by roll call, the motion was unanimously approved.

There were conditions noted for the partial approval:

- 1. The first modification is approved on the condition that the tenant signage does not exceed a total of 48 square feet or 1.5 times their frontage of their tenant space. This applies to both sides of the alleyway.
- 2. The second modification is denied on the grounds that this sign exceeds dimensional requirements of the code, and, for all practical purposes, is a pole sign, which is specifically prohibited by the code.

Other Business:

David Hudson made a motion to request that the Regional Planning Agency amend the signage code. Caroline Hetzler seconded the motion. All in favor, votes taken by roll call, the motion was unanimously approved.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 11, 2021 (application deadline is January 15, 2021 at 4 p.m.).

David Hudson made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Jim Williamson, Chair
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Levi Witt, Secretary
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