

Subject to approval

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY APPEARANCE

Regular Meeting May 12, 2020

Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Community Appearance (ACCA) was held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 via Zoom Video Conference, with Elizabeth Ardolino presiding.

Members present: Chair E. Ardolino, J. Cunningham, M. Williams, P. Clement and R. Zollshan

Members absent: F. Murphy

Others present: Dave Anderson (Director of Land Use and Economic Development), John J DeLaura (Zoning Enforcement Officer), Jim Matteson (PZC Liaison)

Representing 908 Boston Post Road
Duo Dickerson (Project Architect)

Representing Chase Bank:
Patrick Jones, Jennifer Porter, Richard Dordas and Victor Antonio

E. Ardolino called the meeting to order at approximately 5:04 p.m.

The following pages contain the recommendations for the applications presented.

Adjournment:

Motion: By L. Ardolino, second by P. Clement to adjourn at 7:29 pm. All members present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
John J De Laura

ACCA RECOMMENDATION:

634 Boston Post Road. Applicant: Chase Bank. Preliminary Review of redevelopment of the 634 Boston Post Road bank site.

Jennifer Porter discussed the history of Chase's progress with the project over the last year or so. She mentioned it was the third design review including materials to be used.

Patrick expressed the team now took a more transitional approach to the design by incorporating cues from the DVD architecture including the Library and the RJ Julia buildings. He explained the adding of brick and a second story element for the street. The detail along the top edge was questioned and defined as a coping. A suggestion was the use of a curved element and Chase's cobalt blue in places.

Signage was questioned as to where and how much, it was stated by Chase that signage would follow design. A concern of the Committee was the signage was too large and the siding was too modern. There was some conversation as to adding peaked elements for interest or movement.

Something more traditional was suggested. More traditional elements should be introduced.

It was thought Chase could begin the application process to other agencies while departing from the corporate image presented and simplifying materials and massing.

Chase would go to corporate with the suggestions and ask for direction moving forward. The take away was to add more brick, shorten the tower, lessen the corporate feel, and explore signage.

ACCA RECOMMENDATION:

20-05+CSP. 908 & 916 Boston Post Road. Map 39, Lots 3 & 4. R-2 District.

Owner/Applicant: The General's Residence at Madison, LLC. Special Exception Permit Modification, Coastal Site Plan and Application for Deposit of Material to modify a previously approved, nine (9) unit small cluster housing development pursuant to Section 3.12 of the Town of Madison Zoning Regulations.

Duo Dickerson presented the project and assured the Committee the object is create as much of the General's Residence as possible. Also the stone walls, healthy trees and the curb cuts would stay. John Cunningham reviewed the landscape plan. The idea is soften the streetscapes and the views to the east.

Committee members asked of the treatment of the units and were told a low ground cover would be used. The units would all have basements and the new designs were not the "splits" as before. This was to be more in scale with a village feel and the neighborhood.

Walkways were discussed as being lite with low lighting of the night sky type. Decks were removed. Siding was discussed and generally the revisions were accepted with the request to see further details as they evolved. All were in favor.