



City of Santa Barbara

Planning Division

SIGN COMMITTEE CONSENT MINUTES

Applications within the Architectural Board of Review Purview

Monday, April 27, 2015 **David Gebhard Public Meeting Room: 630 Garden Street** **2:15 P.M.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: NATALIE COPE, Chair
 BOB CUNNINGHAM, Vice-Chair
 CRAIG SHALLANBERGER (HLC)
 WM. HOWARD WITTAUSCH (ABR)

ALTERNATES: SCOTT HOPKINS (ABR)
 BARRY WINICK (HLC)

STAFF: JAIME LIMÓN, Senior Planner / Design Review Supervisor
 SUSAN GANTZ, Planning Technician
 GABRIELA FELICIANO, Commission Secretary

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CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 2:21 p.m. by Vice-Chair Cunningham.

ATTENDANCE:

Representatives present: Cunningham and Wittausch
Staff present: Susan Gantz
Recorder: Gabriela Feliciano

GENERAL BUSINESS (2:21):

A. Public Comments.

No public comment.

B. Review of the minutes of the previous Sign Committee meeting.

Motion: **Approval of the minutes of the Sign Committee meeting of April 13, 2015, as submitted.**

Action: Cunningham/Wittausch, 2/0/0. Motion carried.

C. Listing of approved Conforming Signs from April 15 through April 22, 2015.

The Conforming Sign Calendar was reviewed by Bob Cunningham, with the exception of Bunnin that was reviewed by Natalie Cope.

April 15, 2015 None.

April 22, 2015

1. Honor Bar, 1255 Coast Village Road – Final Approval of Review After Final as submitted.
2. ACE Cash Express, 3611 State Street – Final Approval with condition.
3. High Sierra Grill, 521 Firestone Road – Final Approval as submitted.
4. Bunnin (Chevrolet/Cadillac), 31 S. Hope Avenue – Final Approval with condition.

D. Announcements, requests by applicants for continuances and withdrawals, and future agenda items.

No announcements.

CONTINUED ITEM

A. 1820 DE LA VINA ST

R-4 Zone

Assessor's Parcel Number: 027-022-022
 Application Number: SGN2014-00148
 Business Name: The Oak Cottage of Santa Barbara
 Applicant: Hochhauser Blatter Architecture & Planning

(Revised proposal for a 30.5 square foot, externally-illuminated wood ground sign. The original sign was approved at 33.75 square feet, constructed at 40.35 square feet, and received a Sign Exception for being over-height above sidewalk grade. A revised plan proposes the sign to be 30.3 square feet, and a Sign Exception is requested to allow a sign in excess of the maximum square footage allowed for a residential use. Due to the sign's proximity to the critical root zone of an existing oak tree, the footings shall be hand dug and concrete poured using no heavy equipment. The linear building frontage is 40 feet. The allowable signage is 10 square feet.)

(Review of revised plans. Exception findings are required.)

Time: 2:24 p.m.

Present: Mandar Kelkar and Julie McGeever, Hochhauser Blatter Architects
 Mark Maldonado, Owner

Public comment: Katherine Starr spoke in opposition to the current sign as constructed and requested it be made smaller.

Motion: Continued two weeks to the Conforming Agenda with the following comments:

1. Reduce the height of the sign 12" - 14" by cutting off the address numbers at the bottom. Show proposed address number relocation.
2. Cut off the tops of the posts.
3. Provide scaled, dimensioned plans showing finish grade elevation at the bottom of the posts, and overall sign height from the sidewalk.
4. The Sign Committee supports a reduction and lowering of the sign in order to make the Sign Exception findings for size and height of ground sign. The findings to support exceptions are as follows: there is a need for sign visibility in this location, the relatively unique raised site location, and the high quality of sign graphics.

Action: Wittausch/Cunningham, 2/0/0. Motion carried.

**** MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:52 P.M. ****