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- To: Taylor Mullinax, Planner I City of Dublin Ohio
- From: Mark Ford
- Date: July 28, 2023
- Re: EASE LOGISTICS PLANNING SUBMISSION REVIEW Case No. 23-046AFDP

Per your request of July 10, 2023, I have reviewed the application materials for the Ease Logistics exterior building modifications prepared by WSA (not dated). Below is a summary of my comments.

Use of Contemporary Materials

The existing building massing and detailing is representative of a more contemporary building. The buildings to the east and west of this site, as well as the multiple auto dealerships in the Perimeter area are also contemporary in their design and employee contemporary materials. The use and detailing of the proposed exterior materials as illustrated in my opinion is appropriate.

Quality of Proposed Materials

I have reviewed the two proposed metal panel products and am in support of their use.

CLG-12: Longboard Architectural Products, Tongue and & Groove Cladding System. This extruded aluminum metal panel system is proposed to be installed on the underside of the exterior canopies. I woodgrain finish is proposed (Dark Fir). The installation system uses concealed fasteners and prefinished edge trim members. The manufacturer lists a 15-year warranty on the finish. As noted, this material is to be installed on the underside of the exterior canopies and will not be in direct sunlight or weather which would protect the finish from fading.

MTL-8: PAC-CLAD PAC-3000 CS Composite Metal Wall Panels. This prefinished metal wall panel system is proposed to be installed on the vertical surfaces at multiple exterior focal areas of the ground floor level of the building. The product is constructed of a 6mm composite panel with an aluminum or steel face panel. The applicant should specify which material and material thickness that is to be used. The finish is a PVDF Wood Grain (Golden Maple). PVDF, Polyvinylidene Fluoride, coatings are a factory-applied, resin-based coating system, typically with embedded color pigments that support a wide range of matte-finish colors. PVDF coatings have a higher durability and are more resistant to UV rays than traditional powder coatings. Additional advantages of PVDF spray coating are high brightness, thin coating and stable color, strong weather resistance, not easy to fade or discoloration. This material provides a high resistance to chemicals and pollution and requires minimal maintenance. Film adhesion may last 40 years with fading not occurring for 30 years. A common trade name for this material is Kynar finish. The panel manufacturer provides a 20-year warranty on the finish.

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Considerations for PZC and Planning Staff

The design submission indicates that the majority of the exterior wall surfaces are to be painted Sherwin Williams SW 7068, Grizzle Gray. I would recommend that the applicant provide information regarding the quality of the paint to be used in this application. Darker paint pigments are more susceptible to fading due to ultraviolet light and will require repainting at a more frequent interval than lighter based paints.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

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