



MEETING MINUTES

Administrative Review Team

Thursday, July 30, 2020 | Live Streaming on YouTube at 2:00 pm

ART Members and Designees: Jennifer Rauch, Planning Director (Chair); Colleen Gilger, Director of Economic Development; Brad Fagrill, Building Standards Director; Shawn Krawetzki, Landscape Architect Manager; Michael Hendershot, Civil Engineer II; and Chad Hamilton, Fire Inspector.

Other Staff: Nichole Martin, Planner II

Applicant: Todd Faris, Faris Planning and Design; and Chris Ingram, Vorys, Stater, Seymour, and Pease, LLP. (Case 1)

Ms. Rauch welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. Per the State of Emergency, laws were enacted including the Stay at Home Order for which the City will need to live-stream all public meetings until that order has lifted. Comments can be submitted on the City's website before or during the meeting.

Ms. Rauch asked if there were any amendments to the meeting minutes from July 16, 2020. [There were none.] The minutes were approved as presented.

INTRODUCTION/DETERMINATION

1. **3800 W. Dublin-Granville Road 20-071MPR**

Minor Project Review

Ms. Martin said this application is a proposal for a landscaping plan for an existing office building/bank northeast of the intersection of W. Dublin-Granville Road with Dublin Center Drive and zoned Bridge Street District Sawmill Center Neighborhood. She presented an aerial view of the ±7-acre site.

Ms. Martin presented the proposed tree removal for the site and noted staff including Brian Martin, Zoning Inspector; and the Brian Goodall, City Forrester, have collaborated with the applicant. The intent of this proposal is to update the site and enhance the overall character.

Ms. Martin said the applicant has proposed to remove 261 caliper inches, which include: 59 caliper inches on the bank parcel; and 202 caliper inches on the Sawmill Road parcel. She added 261 caliper inches are proposed to be planted.

Ms. Martin said the caliper inches are proposed to be replaced on site and she presented the proposed landscape plan and highlighted the street trees along W. Dublin-Granville Road that are to remain in addition to 6 new trees on Dublin Center Drive; 10 new trees on Banker Drive; and 2 new trees on Sawmill Road. She stated that for the foundation plantings requirement in the Bridge Street District Code, 72 shrubs are required and 302 shrubs are proposed. She said the applicant has proposed a dual hedge design with Boxwood and Taxus. She highlighted the proposed plantings around the vehicular use area that include: 7 trees and 76 shrubs to be planted along W. Dublin Granville Road; 3 trees and 30 shrubs to be planted along Dublin Center Drive; and 2 trees and 19 shrubs to be planted along Banker Drive. Utilities will be screened with a brick wall and evergreen shrubs.



Ms. Martin said the application was reviewed against the Minor Project Review Criteria. All criteria has been met with one condition. Therefore, approval is recommended with the following condition:

- 1) That the replacement trees that decline within five years be replaced on an inch-by-inch basis.

Ms. Martin said this is due to the applicant' desire to install larger replacement trees than what are usually planted but staff is agreeable with the condition.

Ms. Rauch asked both Mr. Ingram and Mr. Faris if there was anything they wished to add to this presentation. Mr. Ingram, Vorys, Stater, Seymour, and Pease, LLP said he was the attorney speaking on behalf of the applicants. He said he appreciated that staff collaborated with their client and their own arborist. The existing landscaping is hindering the marketability of the property. The building at the existing site is largely used for the operations of a bank and the other portion is vacant and they wish to increase and open up the curb appeal. This site was recently rezoned to Bridge Street District Corridor and everything here is being brought up to meet those new requirements.

Ms. Rauch added she also appreciated the collaborative efforts. She asked if there were any other questions or concerns from the Administrative Review Team members to which there were none. She asked if the applicants were agreeable to the one condition to which Mr. Ingram answered affirmatively.

Ms. Martin confirmed that no public comments had been received.

Ms. Rauch made the motion to vote on the Minor Project Review with the one condition as stated above. (Approved 6 – 0) She adjourned the meeting at 2:07 pm.