

VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS
PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING
MINUTES

September 21, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Mayor Bacci called the meeting to order, Clerk Unger called the roll. Those present were Mayor Bacci, Todd Bloam, Shireen Mitchell, Matt Sokolich, and Dave Volek. Also present: Law Director William Mason, and Building Commissioner Norm Casini.

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Ms. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Volek to approve the Minutes of May 2, 2016. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

From Building Commissioner Norm Casini, an application from Timan Window Treatments for a wall sign on the east side of 4533 Willow Parkway facing Interstate 77.

Pursuant to the Cuyahoga Heights Codified Ordinance Chapter 1482, Article 1482.10, “signs for buildings abutting Interstate 77” must be approved by the Planning & Zoning Board.

Also, the proposed wall sign measures 1,518 square feet. Our Codified Ordinance Chapter 1482, Section 1482.021(b)(2) allows 48 square feet for wall signs. Therefore, a variance of 1470 square feet is requested by Timan Window Treatments, Inc.

The Mayor introduced Mr. Dwight Jordan to the board. Mr. Jordan explained that he is the owner of the building in question, and he introduced Mr. Adam Timan of Timan Window Treatments who will be occupying the building. Mr. Timan will be using approximately 14,000 square feet.

Mr. Timan explained that he will be using the space for warehouse and corporate offices. They gave the board members renderings of what they would like to put on the east side of the building. They did some graphics at each end which he thought really classed up the banner. It will be a 3M banner with a life expectancy of three years.

We currently have two other showrooms in Chagrin Falls, and Rocky River, and Cuyahoga Heights will be our third. We would like to get the vinyl banner up as soon as possible with down lighting to illuminate it. The sign will be 4 feet of the ground level because of the fence

that runs the length of the building. The building that is not covered by the banner would be painted with a matching color to the banner.

The Mayor asked Mr. Casini if he had any technical information for the board. Mr. Casini stated that the sign identifies the business very well, it is an attractive sign, and he just questioned whether they needed the graphics on the end of the sign. He doesn't feel that it is information needed to identify the business.

Mayor Bacci stated that he spoke to Dwight and Adam prior to the meeting, concerning the graphics on the ends of the sign. Adam said he would like to change the graphics out periodically, and although he does agree with Mr. Casini, if the board agrees to the graphics, can Mr. Casini approve switching the graphics without coming to the board. Mr. Casini stated absolutely not, any sign changes on Interstate 77 have to be approved by the board.

Mayor Bacci asked if the sign was aesthetically attractive. Mr. Casini stated that it is, and it fits in with the other signs in that area.

Mr. Volek asked Mr. Timan how it was going to be attached to the building. Mr. Timan explained that it will be set up on a rigging system, and also lag bolted to the building. He also stated that there will be no creases in the sign when it is put up.

Ms. Mitchell asked if the sign will go straight across the building, because in the rendering it looks like it goes around the building. Mr. Timan stated that it will be on the eastern side only, it just looks that way in the picture.

Mr. Sokolich stated that he feels it is a very attractive sign, and thinks it will be a nice addition to that area.

Mr. Volek made the motion to approve the variance, seconded by Mr. Bloam. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Wherefore there is no more business before this Board, Mr. Volek made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Mitchell. All in favor none opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 6:15pm