

RALEIGH APPEARANCE COMMISSION
Minutes of the Business Meeting
Thursday, April 18, 2013

Members present: Brian O’Haver, Elizabeth Byrd, Leza Mundt, Vincent Whitehurst, Damien Graham, Julieta Sherk, Dean Rains, Stan Williams

Members not present: Wayne Maiorano (excused), Bang Le (excused), Jim Sherron (excused), Victor Bruinton (excused), Asa Fleming (unexcused), Jedidiah Gant (unexcused), Lee Tripi (unexcused)

Jones Sausage-Rock Quarry Road Landscaping Project

Recommendations:

- The Commission recommends applicants to incorporate flowering trees
- The Commission suggest the use of large-maturing trees in median where possible
- The Commission recommends the use of low maintenance, ornamental grasses in medians in lieu of large grassy areas.
- The Commission encourages applicant to provide more consistency and repetition in types and spacing of tree planting

SP-1-13 Family Dollar (Mitchell Mill Road)

Recommendations:

- The commissions suggests that applicant to look for ways to break up the scale and height of the roof, including variations on 6:12 pitch if permitted by code/conditions
- The Commission suggests that applicant to include additional windows on Mitchell Mill Road building elevation
- The Commission recommends applicant to consider ways to provide greater screening of the mechanical and HVAC equipment with materials that are complementary to the building colors and design and additional vegetative screening. Use of one 6’ fence to screen all mechanical units is another suggestion to help mitigate noise to neighboring residential properties
- The Commissions suggests relocating dumpsters to a location further away from neighboring residential properties
- The Commission encourages the use of a greater variety of landscape species , as well as a more consistent and uniform pattern for planting
- The Commissions suggest increasing landscape screening around BMP
- The Commission recommends the applicant to consider the potential location of future buildings on the parcel to the west when locating driveway stub, as proposed location may not allow flexibility for future development to the west
- The Commission recommends the applicant to incorporate additional landscaping and streetscape elements, such as bike racks, benches and/or other street furniture, in front of the building on Mitchell Mill Road near the building entrance

REVIEW OF JANUARY MINUTES

Elizabeth Byrd called for review of the March 21st minutes. Vincent Whitehurst moved that March 21st minutes be approved as submitted; the motion was seconded by Damien Graham and the motion passed unanimously.

Working Group Reports

Design Conversation-No Report

Solid Waste Collections-No report

Sir Walter Raleigh Awards-No Report

New Business

Other Business

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:45