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ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
Record of Proceedings
June 15, 2021 5:30 P.M.

Members Present: Gary Neola, Denis Marino, Ryan Parsons
Other Officials: Mayor Bill Koons, Ruth Griswold, Board Secretary
Visitors: None

Chairman Gary Neola called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Board Secretary Ruth Griswold conducted roll call.

Mr. Neola made a motion to approve the minutes of June 1, 2021. Mr. Marino seconded. With unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CASE #ARB 21-11(a): 1225 BELL ROAD-MR. DON YERT, OWNER AND APPLICANT-RESUBMITTAL FROM JUNE 1, 2021-PROPOSED EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING BARN

Mr. Yert presented plans reflecting the changes required by the ARB at the meeting on June 1, 2021. Mr. Neola indicated the changes were regarding the doors at the top of the ramp, and Mr. Parsons said the railings for the ramp was also a required element which was added.

Mr. Neola said a more cohesive appearance could be achieved by having narrow sidelights separated by siding on either side of the two entrances and have the transom above that. The transom could also be merged with the door and sidelight, to provide room for a beam.

Review and discussion followed regarding door sizes and how to best obtain a separation between the entrance doors. There was some discrepancy as to the size of the doors shown on the plans.

Mr. Parsons thanked Mr. Yert for addressing the concerns of the board in a different way from what was suggested, but still achieving the desired effect of proportionality. He said he doesn't feel the need for a separation between the entrance doors, but that he would like to see a rendering of the alternate proposal, although his concern is that the doors may look too narrow. He said it may turn out to work well either way.

Mr. Neola said he understands Mr. Parson's perspective, but by reducing the width of the doors to 3' it would minimize the expanse from 16' down to 12', which would allow for more space between the barn doors and the entry doors. Mr. Neola referred to the front elevation on the screen and pointed out the effects of his proposed refinements.

Discussion followed about the transoms being separated from the windows or doors. Mr. Neola said if the transoms can't be separated from the windows or the doors for structural reasons, then they should all be together as one unit. He said he doesn't have a problem with them being separated because it carries the theme across that elevation.

Mr. Neola said his recommendation on this revised proposal would be for the entry doors to be 3' wide.

Mr. Marino pointed out the lower door on the left front elevation and how the door and the canopy are not aligned with the windows above. Mr. Neola agreed that it should be shifted to be centered between the two windows on the right.

Mr. Neola asked the board members for any other comments, saying that the width of the front door could be a recommendation, not a requirement.

Mr. Marino said Mr. Yert should talk to his architect and clarify the size of the entrance doors at the top of the ramp. He said it may save Mr. Yert some money if he installs narrower doors.

Mr. Yert said every time he has to make changes it costs him more money and said maybe he should just tear down the barn instead of improving it. He said the board should have told him about the doors at the last meeting. Mr. Neola said their comments are to suggest improvements to make the design better, and they are just now seeing the doors in the context of the revised proposal.

Mr. Parsons said there is a process that applicants go through, and this is part of it. He said although the board is discussing various changes, it does not mean Mr. Yert would have to come back for further review. Mr. Neola agreed, and said their review of the resubmittal doesn't mean Mr. Yert will not walk out of the meeting with an approved design, with comments.

Mr. Parsons reminded Mr. Yert that because the barn is a commercial building, he will need to submit stamped architectural drawings to the building department for approval. He went on to say typically

those plans are part of the submittal to the Architectural Review Board. He said the 4:12 slope on the ramp is very high and in terms of accessibility and adherence to the code, he may have the plans rejected because of it. He said he is mentioning this because of Mr. Yert's concern with timing. Mr. Neola confirmed that he must comply with the Ohio Building Code. He went on to say that the goal of the ARB is to help applicants with their project, not only by addressing the architectural aspects, but also provide suggestions that make sense.

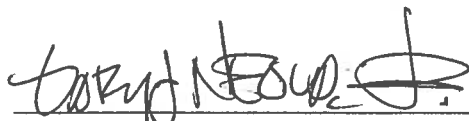
Mr. Neola said he wanted to be certain to note that the door on the front elevation must be centered with the two windows. He said while he made the suggestion to change the four entry doors, he does not have a strong opinion that they must be changed and asked the board for their thoughts. Mr. Parsons said he agrees that the stair door needs to be centered beneath the two windows, as Denis suggested. He said he is fine either way as far as the front entry doors go.

Mr. Neola made a motion to approve the submittal with the door being centered between the two windows as noted. Mr. Parsons seconded. With unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

There being no further business, Mr. Neola adjourned the meeting at 6:07 P.M.



Gary Neola, Chairman

7.6.2021

Date



Ruth Griswold, Board Secretary

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