

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 16, 2019 6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers - Solvang Municipal Center – 1644 Oak Street

B.A.R. Members Present: Melissa DeLeon, Chair; Mark Infanti, Co-Chair, Susan Williams, Patrick Cavanaugh, Elsemarie Petersen

Staff Present: Brynda Messer, Assistant Planner

1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

- A. Public Comment
None.

- B. Approval of December 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Board Member Williams to approve the minutes as presented and seconded by Board Member Cavanaugh. Vote is 5-0.

2. SIGN PROPOSALS:

- A. Solvang Flavors**
436 Alisal Road – APN 139-240-084
Applicant: Michael Mendizza, Owner
Request for approval of one new wall sign in the TRC zone district.

This item was continued from the December 13, 2018 meeting.

Brynda Messer presented staff memo and explained the design of the sign did not change from the previous submittal, but the scale had been revised. Chair DeLeon stated the scale looked much better in the revised drawing.

Motion made by Board Member Williams to accept the proposal as presented and seconded by Board Member Cavanaugh. Vote is 5-0.

3. DEVELOPMENT PROJECT REVIEW

A. U.S. Forest Service

1980 Old Mission Drive – APN 139-540-051

Applicant: Paul Poirier, Architect

Request for final review and approval for Building A at the Merkantile, including colors and materials.

Brynda Messer presented staff report, and explained that not much has changed since the Board reviewed it conceptually. Mr. Poirier stated that the documents provided were in the construction phase. Discussion followed at the dais with Josh Richman, Owner, and the board members.

Mr. Poirier explained certain portions of the project to the board.

Chair DeLeon opened public comment.

Gabe Rossetti: Asked if the addition will be taller than the existing building, and Mr. Poirier answered no, it will not be taller. Mr. Rossetti asked if the proposed security fencing will have spikes at the top, and Mr. Poirier answered no. Mr. Rossetti asked if there were going to be additional fencing and if the hedge was coming down. Chair DeLeon answered that fencing was already approved.

Chair DeLeon asked if the north elevation will look “fancier” than what is shown. Mr. Poirier answered it will be a cultured stone color and will look nicer.

Board Member Petersen asked if the windows will be divided, and Mr. Poirier answered yes. Ms. Petersen also asked what color the masonry wall will be, and Mr. Poirier answered it will be cleaned up to a natural slump look.

Board Member Infanti asked if the all the windows will be operable, and Mr. Poirier answered that a lot of them will be, but not all.

Motion was made by Board Member Infanti to accept the final review as submitted and seconded by Board Member Cavanaugh. Vote is 5-0.

B. FLT Vinland Hotel, LLC

1455 Mission Drive – APN 137-670-003, 009

Applicant: Francis Corso, Agent

Request for approval to repaint the exterior of the existing buildings for Vacation Inn, Solvang (the former Holiday Inn Express).

Brynda Messer presented staff report.

Chair DeLeon asked the applicant if any of the retaining walls will change color and the applicant responded they would be changed to the black color. The applicant also stated more landscaping will be added in the future and will be reviewed by the BAR.

Discussion followed regarding the name of the business.

Board Member Williams asked if the fencing around the pool will be changed, and the applicant stated, yes, it will be the stamped concrete color.

Board Member Petersen stated she wished there were more color in the proposal, but did think it is nice. The applicant responded there will be much more color with the landscaping proposal.

Motion made by Board Member Cavanaugh to accept the proposal as presented and seconded by Board Member Williams. Vote is 5-0.

Chair DeLeon closed the meeting at 6:40.