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TOWN HALL ANNEX  
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Village District Design Advisory Committee/ Architectural Review Board

Minutes

June 4, 2020, 5:00PM

Electronic meeting

PRESENT: Rob Sanders, AIA, Chairman, Sam Gardner, AIA, Vice Chairman, John Doyle, AIA and Kevin Quinlan, AIA

Also Present: Michael Wrinn, Town Planner

Chairman Sanders called the meeting of the Village District Design Advisory Committee to order at 5:10 and seated the board members. Michael Wrinn noted there were no public comments submitted.

**3 Hubbard Road, - 3 Hubbard Rd, LLC - 17 residential units, 8-30g application** – Attorney Casey explained that they were back with some refinements in response to the Committees question last time they met. Robbie Perschino lead the discussion. Looking at blue doors, which is their branding. The material of the concrete retaining walls at the north side of the building were reviewed, the Board noting that that was not an appropriate treatment, The lack of a circulation staircase to the lower parking lot and towards the street was seen as critical element, as the staircase was needed as a place making element. Reviewed the merits of the different roof peaks and double gables that were removed from the previous drawings. Dave Groslin, Crosskey Architects joined the conversation and presented the plans and elevations. The shed roofs over the 2 front entrance doors were discussed. The Chair noted looking at drawing A-200, that the lower level brick treatment should be returned further back on the sides. Saw this as a big issue. The applicants position was that the view shed of this was limited and cost is the

driving factor. The Board wants details of AC pads, as the location may influence landscaping and wants details for fencing on walls.

The applicants would take these comments into consideration and submit new plans reflecting any changes.

The meeting of the Village District Advisory Committee was adjourned.

R. Sanders called the meeting of the Village District Design Advisory Committee to order and seated all 4 members. Michael Wrinn reported that there were no new communications.

### **516 Danbury Road – D. Darbani – Adaptive Reuse**

Attorney Casey presented 516 Danbury Road and explained that it was an adaptive reuse for a retail store showroom. A parking area would be created at the lower level and a ramp to allow egress to the building created. Architect Robert Storm went over the proposal, Discussion regarding exactly what was being proposed took place, ranging from the exact roofing material being proposed to the possible elimination of the front porch stoop, which was not seen as an original part of the house. Kate Throckmorton explained the landscaping and lighting, and details of the sign were reviewed. It was noted how difficult the traffic circulation is entering this property.

The Board requested to see any historic photos of the building, looking for details of the front entrance. The applicants agreed to provide specific answers to the Boards questions at their next meeting.

### **15 Danbury Road – Gateway Shopping Center - Adding Roof gable**

Attorney Casey explained that the Landlord desired to add a roof top gable at the corner of the building, where a new liquor store was going. The plan is for the landlord to get permission for the gable and the tenant would be back later for a sign if desired. Attorney Casey explained that the they would like to install a metal roofed peak, matching the existing other peaks. After discussion, the Committee asked the applicant to explore the idea of matching the existing detail at the adjacent storefront, facing Danbury Road. It was felt that this was a much better match by extending this corner gable. The applicant agreed and will forward a copy to the staff for review.

The Board agreed to hold a special meeting on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM in order to review the requested modifications on 516 Danbury Road and 3 Hubbard Road,

Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 PM

**\*Minutes have not been reviewed by this committee and may be subject to revisions in future minutes. Full audio recordings of meeting is available at: [www.wiltonct.org/tv/index.htm](http://www.wiltonct.org/tv/index.htm)**