

UPTOWN FAÇADIE BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Uptown Façade Board was held on Friday, July 18, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., at 420 10th Street, Government Center Annex - Conference Room, 1st Floor.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Wayne Bond, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Board members attending in person included Robert Battle (Vice Chair), Debbie Young, Ramon Brown, and Cesar Bautista. Not attending: Jud Richardson, Hannah Israel, James Lewis, and Niki Gedroic. Staff members Justin Krieg and Michael Mixen were present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for June 2022 Meeting were approved. Robert Battle motioned for approval, which was seconded by Debbie Young, the motion carried unanimously.

III. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS:

1. St Luke's United Methodist Church, four buildings

The applicant (Mitch Watts) is seeking approval of four signs for four separate buildings. They are seeking approval for the addition of four two-sided, north-south facing signs which will complement the existing building and property, meet all ordinance requirements, and make it easier for patrons to access needed ministry locations. The proposed signage is to be located just west of the existing sidewalk.

Uptown Façade Board Ordinance, Section 9.2.5 of the UDO:

J.3.(B) Review Criteria. The Board shall approve an application and issue a certificate of facade appropriateness if it finds that the proposal meets the requirements of this Section. In making this determination, the Board shall consider, in addition to any other pertinent factors, the following criteria:

- (1) The historic and architectural value and significance of the structure;
- (2) The architectural style, general design, arrangement, texture, and material of the architectural features involved with the structure and relationship to the interior architectural style;
- (3) The consistency with design guidelines adopted by the Board; and
- (4) Pertinent features of other structures within the Board's jurisdiction.

Staff Recommendation:

The proposed signs are all located in front of individual buildings that all have common ownership. The signs are categorized as primary signs. All four signs are identical in size, design, and material. Their installation location is generally the same for all four, located in front of each of the four individual buildings. The signs appear to meet the

intent of the Uptown Façade District Guidelines. It should be noted, in almost all cases, signs approved by the Façade Board are all located on the applicant's property. These four signs are proposed to be located on city right of way. There is likely some approval required to install a sign directly on private property. This review does not serve as approval for the location of these proposed signs. That determination is outside the jurisdiction of the board. Staff recommends approval of the applications for 1012, 1022, 1024, and 1030 2nd Avenue. NOTE: Confirmation of the location should be done through codes and inspections or engineering.

Ramon Brown motioned for approval, which was seconded by Debbie Young, the motion carried unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- The use of the Slack application was discussed with the understanding that it was for internal discussions of UFB Board business, attendance and revision of policies and Façade Guidelines. No discussions of an application will be made.

- The Façade Guideline book was discussed. The Guideline is 22 years old and needs to be updated in certain areas where technology and materials have overtaken sign lighting methods and materials available to produce the desired effect.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- The 101 Smoke Shop will provide examples of what the awning/signage will look like.

- The Old Golf Gallery is due back for a discussion of its exterior wall.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: Robert Battle motioned for adjournment and motion was seconded by Debbie Young. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned by the chair at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:


Robert Battle, Vice-Chairman


Michael Mixen, Secretary