

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



ANNUAL REPORT | 2023 APPEARANCE COMMISSION

PURPOSE

The Appearance Commission considers all applications for new buildings, developments, remodeling, and additions in multi-family, commercial, and industrial districts and planned public improvements for proposed external architectural features, landscaping design, and site planning, as well as requests for signs requiring variations from sign code. The Appearance Commission assists in the formation, review, and amendment of the Appearance Plan to establish guidelines intended to protect and stabilize the general appearance of multi-family, commercial, and industrial districts and public improvements, and maintain established standards of property values throughout the Village.

MEMBERSHIP: 7-Member Commission

Member	Position	Appointment	Term Expiration
Jack Hrymak	Chairman		07/27/2024
Jack Hrymak	Member	09/24/2012	
Brian Quirke	Member	10/25/2016	10/11/2025
Kalinda Preston	Member	08/10/2021	08/10/2024
Tikia Kidd	Member	09/27/2022	09/27/2025
James Scheffke	Member	09/27/2022	09/27/2025
Dan Kluck	Member	02/07/2023	02/07/2026
Christine Banks	Member	12/19/2023	12/19/2026
Jim Wright	Chairman	08/09/2011	Deceased
John Zander	Member	08/13/2019	Resigned
Elizabeth Smith	Member	05/23/2023	Resigned

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

The Appearance Commission holds a regularly scheduled meeting on the first Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Village Board Room. In addition to the regularly scheduled meetings, the Commission held two additional Special Meetings on March 29, 2023 and November 8, 2023.

Meetings Held	Meetings Cancelled
Jan 05, 2023	March 02, 2023
Feb 03, 2023	April 06, 2023
Mar 29, 2023 (workshop)	June 01, 2023
May 04, 2023	Aug 03, 2023
Jul 06, 2023	Oct 05, 2023
Sep 07, 2023	Nov 02, 2023
Nov 08, 2023	
Dec 07, 2023	

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In 2023, the Appearance Commission made determinations on the following cases:

- a. **CASE 22-46: Exterior Alterations and Sign Variance for CD One Price Cleaners Exterior at 18046 Halsted Street**
Approved the exterior alterations and the sign variance on January 5, 2023.
- b. **CASE 23-16: Sign Variance for Dorband-Howe House at 2035 183rd Street**
Approved the sign variance on May 4, 2023.
- c. **CASE 23-19: Exterior Alterations at 17510 Halsted Street for Buffalo Wild Wings**
Approved building elevations and signage on July 6, 2023.
- d. **CASE 23-20: Exterior Alterations at 18250 Harwood Ave for Bawadi Construction INC.**
Approved building elevations and signage on July 6, 2023.
- e. **CASE 23-21: Exterior Alterations at 18123 Harwood Avenue, Hibbing Building**
Approved building elevations on July 6, 2023.
- f. **CASE 23-24: Sign Variance at 18033 Martin Avenue for Goodman Insurance**
Approved sign variance on September 7, 2023.
- g. **CASE 23-25: Façade Improvements at 18027 Dixie Highway for Woori Taekwondo**
Approved exterior elevations on September 7, 2023.
- h. **CASE 23-30: Sign Variance at 17951 Dixie Highway for St. John Neumann's Parish**
Approved sign variance on December 7, 2023.
- i. **CASE 23-32: Sign at 19620 Kedzie Avenue for All Nations Community Church**
Approved signage on December 7, 2023.

In addition, to the casework, the Appearance Commission began the process of updating the Appearance Plan, the guiding document of the Appearance Commission, which was written in 1999 and is overdue for an update. This process included a public workshop on March 29, 2023.

In 2023, the following application for consideration by the Appearance Commission was received and withdrawn by the applicant:

- **CASE 23-04: Building Accent Lighting at the Hartford Building at 2033 Ridge Road.**