EAST AURORA PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

November 5, 2019 - 7:00 PM

PRESENT:

Karen Lee-Chairman

Dan Castle

Randy West, Vice Chairman

Dale Morris

Randy West

Allen Ott Jr.

Geoffrey Hintz

Bud Babcock, Alternate

ABSENT:

Aaron Fisher

Also Present:

Bill Kramer, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Aurora
Jessica Taneff, Planning Commission Secretary

Heather Nemec-431 Main St- Architect for Deacon and Cassie Tasker

Don and Michael Quiere

Karen Lee, Chairman, noting that quorum was present, requested a motion to open the November 5th meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:00 PM. Member West offered a motion to open the meeting, seconded by Member Ott.

Member Ott motioned to table the meeting minutes with some grammar corrections, seconded by Member Castle with unanimous approval.

Interior and Exterior Façade Remodel for 431 Main St. Rosie's Ice Cream

Chairman Lee opened a discussion to review the plans for 431 Main Street.

Heather, the Architect for Deacon and Cassie Tasker of 431 Main St., presented the Commission with a visual board to present the changes they are looking to make. Currently the building is split

level, where their intention is to sell ice cream in the upper level and make the ice cream in the lower level. With the building being split level, it does not have a grade floor for handicap accessibility. Their intention is to straighten this out by getting rid of the door, level the floor, and then create an entrance in the front and rear of the building. In order to make the building handicap accessible, they are proposing to put in an exterior handicap lift in the back of the building. There would be some seating indoor along with more seating on the outside front deck. There is no plan for landscape, but they might put planters at the front of the deck.

Architect Nemec said the current color of the façade is a yellow/burgundy color, but they are looking to change it to a more modern color of black and white. There would be a black metal roof and the color of the siding would be pure white.

Member Morris commented that the original application had the siding as a grey color. Heather replied that originally the grey color was Deacon and Cassie's decision, but upon looking at more color choices, they decided on a pure white color. Member West would like to see a proposed color picture with the black and white coloring of the building.

Member Morris has a concern for them not having any plans for landscaping. Architect Nemec replied that there is no storage for the building, so their plan was to have removable panels. This would allow them to use the underneath of the building for storage which is why they did not have plans for landscape around the building.

There are options for bushes and annual plants to be planted in the front of the building that would not hinder access to get underneath on the side of the building. Architect Nemec responded that they would be open to this.

There is a stone wall in the front of their property that is not theirs, but it is a concern that people would take their ice cream outside and eat on the wall. By sitting on the wall, this could potentially ruin it. Architect Nemec agreed to putting up polite notices to ask people to not eat on the wall along with the option of putting Adirondack chairs in the front lawn.

Member Morris had a concern with the backside of the building, which can be seen from the Roycroft campus. There is not much visual architectural interest in the back of this building, so he is concerned with the color of the building being a blank white wall. He asked if there was a potential to add awnings to the façade to give more color to the building.

Member West motioned to table the application for 431 Main St, with the following conditions:

- Landscape plan
- Color combination of the building
- Style and details on the building to help enhance the backside

Motion seconded by Member Castle with unanimous approval.

Sliding door for 687 Main St. Rick's on Main

Don Quiere-from Ricks on Main-spoke that on the second floor of the restaurant, they are looking to take the existing window and door and replace it with a sliding glass door. Their idea of the sliding glass door is to make the façade look nicer.

There were no further comments.

Member Castle motioned to approve the application for 687 Main St. The motion was seconded by Member Ott with unanimous approval.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:

Member Lee asked Code Enforcement Officer Kramer about Mister's She asked if the two trees that the Commission recommended and was approved by the Village Board were planted. Code Enforcement Officer Kramer responded that they have not, but he would bring that up to the owner, John. He also commented that Mister's was putting planters on their pillars out front.

Motion by Member Hintz to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Seconded by Member Castle and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Taneff