

HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

FEBRUARY 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Judy Justus. Commission members present were Dennis Barrett, Alex Heard, Judy Justus, and Mark Weber (4). Rick Butera was absent. Also present was Zoning Inspector Cody Grodi.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Barrett moved to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2018 meeting as written. Mr. Heard seconded, and they were unanimously approved.

APPLICATION 3-18 – Gretchen Leu is requesting a certificate of appropriateness to install a wall sign on the exterior of the building and a freestanding sign on the property. The property is located at 126 W. Front Street and is zoned C-2 (Central Business).

Gretchen Leu, the applicant, was present. Mr. Barrett asked her what kind of business this is. Ms. Leu said it is a wellness/therapy business. Mr. Heard asked if she is moving from her current location. Ms. Leu stated that she is not moving, she is expanding. Ms. Justus asked what the freestanding sign is made of. Ms. Leu said it is a two sided hanging, heavy vinyl sign. Ms. Justus cautioned that hanging signs swing a lot. Mr. Heard asked where the post would be placed. Ms. Leu said it would be about 4' back from the sidewalk because there is a boxwood shrub line that runs parallel to the sidewalk. There was discussion regarding the required setback for freestanding signs in C-2 zoning districts. Mr. Grodi said that the required setback is 30' from the property line. Ms. Leu said that would put the sign inside the building. Mr. Grodi said that she can go to the Board of Zoning Appeals to request a variance. Mr. Barrett asked about the post for the sign. Ms. Leu asked what material the Commission preferred. Several members said that they would prefer wood. Mr. Barrett asked what color it would be painted. Ms. Leu said that it would be a darker color like the building so it doesn't get dirty.

Mr. Heard moved to approve Application 3-18. Seconded by Mr. Weber. Ayes: (4). Nays: (0).

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Sutton