

City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Downtown Area Design Review

Amy Connolly
Alderman Jeff Coe
Michael Rosienski
John Monefeldt
Micah Waters
Ryan Rudie
Richard Christensen

Thursday, April 13, 2017 4:30 PM City Hall, Room 307

Call To Order

Chairman Richard Christensen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT: 5 - Amy Connolly, Michael Rosienski, Micah Waters, Ryan Rudie and Richard

Christensen

EXCUSED: 2 - Jeff Coe and John Monefeldt

Approval of Minutes for the March 2, 2017 Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Waters, seconded by Commissioner Rudie, to approve the minutes of the March 2nd meeting. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

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Subject: (Direct Referral) A request by Jim Fox for review and approval of a White Box Program Grant for the property at 209 Sixth Street.

Attachments: 209 Sixth Street WB

Chief Building Inspector Ken Plaski explained the building location and briefly explained the project. He stated the entire building has been gutted for renovation. The 2nd and 3rd floor of the building will house apartments. He stated only 1st floor level work will qualify for the grant.

The applicant, Jim Fox, stated that HVAC, electrical and plumbing work is needed. Plumbing plans have already been sent to the state for approval

Mr. Plaski stated the building is 1800 sq. ft. so would qualify for a maximum grant of \$18,000.00.

Chairman Christensen asked if anything has been installed yet.

Mr. Fox stated no.

Ms. Connolly asked about tenancy of the building along with the timeline of occupancy.

Mr. Fox stated he has some interest in the building including someone who would like

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to do a bakery/ coffee shop. He stated he would like to have a tenant in the building before the end of the summer.

Commissioner Waters asked about how payment from the grant would be received and if the work had to be 100 percent completed before payment was received.

Ms. Connolly stated that reimbursement is similar to that of the Façade grant; work has to be completed before payment is received.

Commissioner Rudie discussed some of the proposed costs such as the HVAC including the basement which the grant is only for first level work.

Ms. Connolly stated that some costs such as plumbing, electrical, etc... are hard to piece out.

A motion was made by Commissioner Waters, seconded by Commissioner Rudie, to approve the White Box grant for 209 Sixth Street. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

Brief discussion took place regarding sign content, future sign ordinance amendments and the impact on past reviews.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

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