

CITY OF GERMANTOWN
DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
Tuesday, October 26, 2021
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Chairman Paul Bruns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum: Regina Gibson called the roll and established a quorum.

Members Present: Chairman Paul Bruns; Vice Chairman Christopher Schmidt; Secretary Robert Sloan; David Nischwitz; Brian Carney; Tim Gibson; and Alderman Sherrie Hicks

Members Absent: Brian White and Patricia Sherman

Staff Present: Cameron Ross, Economic and Community Development Director; Sheila Pounder, Economic and Community Development Assistant Director; Sarah Goralewski, Planning Division Manager; Regina Gibson, Office Manager; Bob McLean, Assistant City Attorney.

3. Approval of the Minutes

Vice Chairman Christopher Schmidt moved to approve the Design Review Commission minutes of September 28, 2021, seconded by Secretary Robert Sloan.

ROLL CALL:

Hicks – Yes
Schmidt – Yes
Gibson – Yes
Nischwitz – Yes
Sloan – Yes
Carney - Abstain
Bruns – Yes

MOTION PASSED 6-0-1

4. Consent Agenda

During the Executive Session, item 5A and 5B on the regular agenda became item 4A and 4B on the consent agenda.

- A. Case Number & Project Name: (19-933) 7254 Neshoba Rd. (Cell Tower)
Location: 7254 Neshoba Rd.
Property Owner: Duane David Smith
Applicant: Verizon Wireless – Adam McElveen, Sr. RF Engineer
Representative: Law Offices of Baker Donelson for Verizon Wireless – C.C. Drayton, Agent
Request: Approval of a Wireless Transmission Facility within an MLGW Transmission Tower
- B. Case Number & Project Name: (21-029) Windstone Creek SD
Location: 2980 Windstone CV
Property Owner/Applicant: Germantown Homebuilders, Inc. – Bryan Johnson, V.P.
Request: Approval of a Subdivision Entrance Feature

* Refer to complete applications, staff reports and attachments on file.

MOTION:

Secretary Robert Sloan moved to approve the consent agenda, with the conditions of approval as discussed during Executive Session, seconded by Vice Chairman Christopher Schmidt.

ROLL CALL:

Nischwitz – Yes
Gibson – Yes
Sloan – Yes
Carney – Yes
Hicks – Yes
Schmidt – Yes
Bruns - Yes

MOTION PASSED 7-0-0

5. Regular Agenda

During the Executive Session, item 5C and 5D on the regular agenda became item 5A and 5B on the regular agenda.

- A. Case Number & Project Name: (21-030) Landmark Center (Lot 2, Blair James Commercial SD)
Location: 1215-1227 S. Germantown Rd.
Property Owner/Applicant: Germantown Station, LLC – John B. Walker
Applicant: Verizon Wireless – Adam McElveen, Sr. RF Engineer
Request: Approval of a Façade Modification

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Christopher Schmidt moved to table item 5C for this session, seconded by Brian Carney.

ROLL CALL:

Sloan – Abstain
Hicks – Yes
Gibson – Yes
Carney – Yes
Nischwitz – Yes
Schmidt – Yes
Bruns - Yes

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- B. Case Number & Project Name: (21-031) Bavarian Village Condominiums
Location: Northwest Corner of Poplar Ave. and West St.
Property Owner/Applicant: Bavarian Village Council of Co-Owners, Board of Directors – Diane Perry, VP

Request: Approval of a Façade Modification and Revised Lighting Plan

* Refer to complete application, staff report and attachments on file.

Sarah Goralewski (ECD Planning Manager) made a staff presentation.

The applicant's representative, Diane Perry, Vice President – Bavarian Village Council Board of Directors, 7536 Bavarian Dr., Germantown, TN 38138 made a presentation.

Chairman Bruns opened the public hearing.

Sarah Goralewski noted that nine letters of opposition were received and are available in the DRC agenda packet.

The following people spoke in support of the request:

Ms. Kelly Mudd, 1951 Vienna Way, Germantown, TN 38138

The following people spoke in opposition to the request:

Ms. Sharon Israel, 1943 Innsbruck Dr., Germantown, TN 38138 (submitted a petition of 35 representing homeowners)

Chairman Bruns closed the public hearing and called for a motion.

MOTION

Secretary Robert Sloan moved to approve a façade modification and revised lighting plan for Bavarian Village Condominiums (located at the northwest corner of Poplar Ave. and West St.), seconded by Vice Chairman Christopher Schmidt.

Chairman Bruns lead the Commission in a discussion of the item.

Following the Commission's discussion, the applicant requested to withdraw the request, in advance of a vote.

WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT

6. Commission Liaison Reports:

Cameron Ross (ECD Director) updated the DRC on the BMA's work session in regard to tree mitigation and potential amendments to the Vegetation Ordinance.

7. Old Business:

Chairman Bruns asked if there were any Old Business and there was none.

8. New Business:

Alderman Sherrie Hicks reminded the commissioners that all still willing to serve should re-apply now.

9. Adjournment:

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There being no further business, comments, or questions by the Commission, Chairman Bruns announced the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Paul Bruns, Chairman
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