

MANDAN ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION MINUTES

January 29, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Robert (Bob) Vayda/President, Mitch Bitz/Fire Dept., Steph Smith, Leonard Bullinger, Jerome Gangl & Kim Fettig/City Engineering.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Barta/Building Official, Jason Krebsbach, Rick Zander

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: Discussion by Bruce of Indigo Signworks to redo the Mandan Family Clinic signs from Medcenter One to Sanford Health for Sanford North Mandan Family Clinic at 201 14th St. NW. On the north side of clinic proposing to install illuminated channel letters after the top half of the clinic has been painted Sanford blue. Bruce indicated he has not filled out an application on this one yet.

Bruce stated the Sanford North Mandan Clinic sign goes above the roof line 12" – 16" and stated they wanted this for visibility. The policy states no wall sign shall extend beyond the width of the building or projected above the roof line. It doesn't meet our requirements so he was asking if they could request an exception. The signs are 48" in height with white letters and blue returns. The reason they wanted to do it this way is to go above for visibility. The bottom elevation and distance from the floor, the curb to the bottom of the sign on the narrow end it is probably around 7 or 8 feet and the far end about 10 feet. They do have trees out by the berm on the east. Bob asked if there could be a different type of sign proposed and put it in that island that is in front instead of putting it on the building like a pylon sign. Bruce stated typically they don't use pylon signs; most of their signs are either on the buildings or they have monument signs. The big thing is they want to be seen from the Interstate.

Bob questioned the members if we had any situations in the city right now that have signs that extend above the parapet of the roof prior to this committee. Leonard Bullinger stated there hasn't been any since he has been here. Nobody has ever brought one up like this before; this would be the first time. Structurally, they can be mounted correctly but appearance is the driving force here.

Part of the reason the policy was put into place was due to the wind so they didn't blow them off and they were not sticking up or strong enough above. Bob asked if there was anything special about Sanford reducing them from 4 feet high down to 3 feet. Bruce indicated that it is just one of their standards; they are trying to get the visibility from the Interstate. Bruce indicated they currently build 24", 32", 36" and 48" letters, which are their standard sizes they use. Sanford does have standards for their letter size.

Members stated that if we start making exceptions to the policy, we are going to run into some problems. If they do a 36" even with that roof they would be all right. If they do it flush with the building, they will just have to move the letters down.

Kim motioned to deny.

Leonard seconded.

Upon roll call vote, the motion passes unanimously.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: Proposal by Bruce of Indigo Signworks proposing new pylon signage for Main Street Drive-Thru Liquor located at 1005 East Main Street. The only change that has been made since Bruce was before us last week was the graphics, the side-by-side rather than split in the middle. We made the street and drive-thru liquor a little bigger.

Kim motioned to approve.

Steph seconded.

Upon roll call vote, the motion passes unanimously

DISCUSSION: Ordinance #1027 (the Gateway area) - Members reviewed the ordinance as it reads and made changes to it to take 31st St. NW out and extend it to Hwy 1806. Members would like Richard to take the proposed changes to the City Commission for approval of revision.

Jerome motioned to take out 31st St NW and extend to Hwy 1806.

Leonard seconded.

Upon roll call vote, the motion passes unanimously.

Also discussed the certified letters that were sent out to Huntington Books, Thrift Store, and D & V Towing. Rachel stated the letters were sent out a few days after the meeting, which would be January 10, 2013. They have all signed for the certified letters. We gave them 30 days to comply. So far, it doesn't appear anything has been done with these signs as of this date.

MINUTES: Approval of the minutes from January 8th .

Leonard motioned to approve the minutes for January 8, 2013

Kim seconded.

Upon roll call vote, the motion passes unanimously.

MINUTES: Approval of the minutes from January 15, 2013.

*Kim motioned to approve the minutes with change of Jerome Gangl not showing as absent.
Steph seconded.*

Upon roll call vote, the motion passes unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Approved by:

Date

Transcribed by:

Rachel Hastings/Admin. Assistant