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**MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
PLAN COMMISSION
November 13, 2019
MEMORIAL HALL
7:30 P.M.**

Plan Commission Chair Cashman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 13, 2019, in Memorial Hall, the Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale, Illinois.

PRESENT: Steve Cashman, Mark Willobee, Troy Unell, Anna Fiascone, and Debra Braselton

ABSENT: Gerald Jablonski, Julie Crnovich and Jim Krillenberger

ALSO PRESENT: Chan Yu, Village Planner and applicant for cases: A-31-2019 and A-32-2019

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The Plan Commission (PC) **unanimously approved** the October 9, 2019, minutes, as submitted, 5-0, (3 absent).

Findings and Recommendations - Case A-25-2019 – 11 Salt Creek Lane - Normandy Builders - Text Amendment to add Design Work for Home or Office Remodeling and related Showrooms as a Special Use in the O-3 General Office District and concurrent Special Use Permit for Normandy Builders to operate at 11 Salt Creek Lane in the O-3 District.

The PC **unanimously approved** the Findings and Recommendations, as submitted, 5-0, (3 absent).

Sign Permit Review - Case A-31-2019 – 118 W. 1st Street – Bank of America/Merrill– 1 New Illuminated Wall Sign (Merrill) and 1 Illuminated Wall Sign Update (Bank of America)

A representative from Olympik Sign Company reviewed the proposed sign elements, including that the Bank of America changed their logo to reflect all upper case fonts, and the font colors of both signs would be white, however the Merrill logo will have blue in it.

Chairman Cashman commented that the changes to the new logo is very subtle and initially difficult to notice.

Commissioner Braselton asked if the proposed signs are the same size as the one being replaced.

The applicant replied exactly.

Commissioner Braselton asked if the logo of the bull could be smaller.

The applicant replied that they've done studies and that the proposed logo is the proportionate size for the proposed fonts.

Commissioner Willobee asked if they could shrink the entire sign.

The applicant said yes, but not too much.

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Chairman Cashman thought the proposed sign is pretty small on the building.

Commissioner Willobee agreed, but commented that he was thrown off a bit by the asymmetrical layout. He also had a question about a turn off time for the illumination and if it was an appropriate situation here, like the Chase Bank ground sign.

Chairman Cashman said he was not opposed to a shutoff time.

Commissioner Unell agreed a 10 PM shutoff time is fair.

Commissioner Fiascone agreed with the shutoff time, and commented that she thought the proposed sign size is OK for the size of the building.

The PC in general thought the sign looked cleaner and not so different than the current sign.

With no further questions or comments, the PC **unanimously approved** the sign application, with the condition it be turned off at 10 PM, 5-0, (3 absent).

Sign Permit Review - Case A-32-2019 – 6 Grant Street – JC Licht Hinsdale (Benjamin Moore Grant Square) – 1 Wall Sign Update (illuminated)

A representative from La Grange Sign & Lighting presented the request and explained the update emphasizes the “Licht” name, the “Epco” name has been dropped and the Benjamin Moore logo changed slightly. The applicant also corrected the gold color in the submitted exhibit. The proposed color, specified by Grant Square, is a flat black color.

Commissioner Willobee asked what the sign size is, and referred to some back and forth emails with Chan.

The applicant replied 42.7 SF without the backer panel.

Chan explained that is the size if you were to calculate it as one large sign versus two separate sign backings. Thus, the 42.7 SF is the “worst case” and largest sign area calculation if interpreted as one sign.

With no further questions or comments, the PC **unanimously approved** the sign application, 5-0, (3 absent).

Public Hearing - Case A-23-2019 – Village of Hinsdale – Proposed Text Amendment to the Hinsdale Zoning Code, Sections 9-101(D)(9), 9-104(H)(2)(h) and 12-206, relating to the definitions of the lighting regulations (Section 11-604).

Chairman Cashman stated that there is a request by the Village to continue this case to incorporate information and recommendations from Mr. Skokna, who introduced himself and spoke during the public hearing to offer his expertise to the Village with this application on October 9, 2019. To this end, the PC **unanimously continued the public hearing for the December 11, 2019, meeting for Case A-23-2019**, 5-0, (3 absent).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m. after a unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted by Chan Yu, Village Planner