



**City of Paso Robles
Development Review Committee Minutes**

TELECONFERENCE MEETING ONLY

3:30 PM Monday – February 7, 2022

Development Review Committee meetings will be held by teleconference only until further notice as permitted by AB 361, which allows for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Ralph M. Brown Act. The meeting will be virtual because state and local officials are recommending measures to promote social distancing.

Commissioners present: Rob Covarrubias, Field Gibson, and Joel Neel

Staff present: Warren Frace, Darcy Delgado, Lori Wilson, and Katie Banister

Applicants and others present: Laura McKinley, Ryan Bonner, Norma Moye, Gina Fitzpatrick, Donovan Schmidt, and Troy Larkin

Item 1

File #: [SGN 22-01 / P22-0004](#)

Requested Action: DRC Final Action

Application: Sign Plan

Location: 805 4th Street

Applicant: The Sign Place

Discussion: Darcy Delgado presented the plans for three signs for a single tenant in the new building, noting that each sign complied with the Uptown/Town Center Specific Plan sign standards. These are wall-mounted, non-illuminated signs. The DRC members stated the signs are tasteful and understated.

Action: Signs were approved as proposed.

Item 2

File #: P21-0044 / SPR21-09

Requested Action: DRC Final Action

Application: Request to install two tiki statues Cane Tiki Restaurant

Location: 1240 Park Street

Applicant: Donovan Schmidt

Discussion: Staff introduced the item which was a request to install two tiki statues in front of Cane Tiki restaurant. Staff indicated that there was previous DRC input on the tiki statues. The DRC previously denied the tiki statues when they were presented with the signage and shutters. The applicant was requesting the DRC re-visit the request to add the tiki statues due to the fact they had been constructed smaller than originally proposed. The applicant advised that they had received positive feedback from the Chamber of Commerce, Main Street Association, and the general public. The majority of DRC members discussed concerns they had with the tikis, which included them being installed without prior approval, encroaching into the right-of-way and not being in character of the downtown. Additional comments from

DRC member Covarrubias included that the revised tiki design was an improvement to the original design and addressed previous DRC concerns. Commissioner Covarrubias indicated the tikis were tasteful and blended well with the interior of the space.

Action: Application is denied. On a 2-1 vote (Covarrubias dissenting) the DRC denied the request to place the tikis on the public sidewalk based on concerns they are out of character with the downtown and would set a precedent.

Item 3

File #: [B21-0423 / SPR21-04 / SGN22-03 / P21-0019](#)

Requested Action: DRC Final Action

Application: Sign plan and changes to the fence plan for Paso Robles Brewing Company

Location: 201 Spring Street

Applicant: Ryan Bonner

Discussion: Staff presented the proposed fencing materials to limit the area used by the brewery. Proposed materials are empty wine barrels with ropes draped between. The DRC determined the materials were not substantial or permanent enough for the purpose of preventing customer access to more than 10,000sf of space. The applicant suggested a continuous wooden fence with posts set in the asphalt as an alternate design. Staff presented the proposed sign, which is a 40-inch tall reverse-lit wall sign. The previous tenant on the site, Moore's Auto, similarly was approved to have a 40-inch tall sign.

Action: The DRC approved a continuous wooden fence with posts set in the asphalt. The final fence materials and design can be approved by staff. The DRC approved the sign as proposed with a 40-inch height, consistent with previous approvals.
