

**City of Takoma Park -- Façade Advisory Board**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
April 12, 2016

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The City of Takoma Park Façade Advisory Board met on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park Maryland.

**Members Present:** Darsie Cahall, Nick Corcoran, Jim DiLuigi, William Fischer, Rick Leonard, Lucy Moore, Eric Sepler  
**Members Absent:** none  
**Staff Present:** Roz Grigsby  
**Visitors:** John Mangan, Ben Norkin, Tom Kenney, 7322 Carroll Avenue  
John Urciolo, 6917 Laurel Avenue

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. Project Review – 7322 Carroll Avenue: John Mangan, Ben Norkin, Tom Kenney**

John Mangan, The Mangan Group, presented the plans for a rear addition for 7322 Carroll Avenue, the former space of Pizza Roma and now owned by MAD Fitness. The HAWP application will be revised to only address a rear addition at this time, with a future application for façade improvements and signage. The Board determined that they have no comment on this application and expect to review an application for façade improvements or signage in the future.

**3. Project Review – 6917 Laurel Avenue: John Urciolo**

John Urciolo, property owner of 6917 Laurel Avenue, attended the meeting to present a modified proposal to replace the original window system with one that matches the adjacent store front at Kin Da, 6923 Laurel Avenue. Urciolo presented a proposal at the previous Façade Advisory Board meeting to replace the window systems at 6915 and 6917 Laurel Avenue, which the Board rejected. Urciolo is withdrawing the proposal for 6915 Laurel (Polly Sue's), with plans to repair the existing frames and replace the glass.

The Board again emphasized that the directive of historic preservation is to 1) repair, 2) replace in kind, 3) replace to match, keeping in the spirit of the original. Review of 6917 Laurel Ave existing storefront's condition, the Board recommended repairing or replacing in kind, and per Urciolo's request, agreed to provide contact information for installers and manufacturers with expertise in historic storefront. DiLuigi also offered to share details used to restore similar American mid-century storefront at Historic Takoma located at 7328 Carroll Avenue.

**Board action:**

The Board reconfirmed their position from the March 8, 2016 meeting, which was as follows:

Corcoran moved, Cahall seconded, the Board passed the following motion unanimously:

The Board rejects the application as submitted. The applicant has the following options:

1. Repair existing framing in place;
2. Replace storefront framing in kind;
3. Replace to match, with materials and style exhibiting profile and sight lines similar to the existing system. This option requires Board approval.

**4. Membership/Officers**

Terms for Board officers are for one year, expiring March 31, so the Board needed to elect new officers. For the past year, Fischer served as chair and Moore served as vice chair.

**Board Action:**

Corcoran moved that the Board re-elect Fischer as chair and Moore as vice chair; Cahall seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

Corcoran has agreed to remain on the Board 90 days, as allowed in the By-laws while the position is open. Fischer thanked Corcoran for his service to the Board, mentioning that he served three years as vice chair and two years as chair during his term.

**5. Minutes**

The minutes from the board meeting on March 8, 2016 were approved.

**6. Adjourn**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:



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Rosalind Grigsby  
Community Development Manager

Approved:



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William Fischer  
Chair