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Minutes Tuesday, September 6, 2022 6:30 P.M.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Colonie Planning Commission was held at Village Hall, 2 Thunder Road Albany, NY 12205 on Tuesday, September 6, 2022.

ROLL CALL: Chairman: Chris Dennis

Commissioners: John Martin (absent)

Peter Chudzinski

Kenny Hart Dan Judge

Jim Splonskowski

Mark Keegan (absent)

Village Attorney: Victor Caponera

Village Engineer: R.J. Laberge

Liaison: Patty Schwarz Lockart

Chairman Dennis opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Hart led the Pledge of Allegiance and requested that all electronic devices be turned off or muted.

The Commission reviewed the regular meeting minutes from August 16, 2022. Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Judge seconded the motion.

VOTE: unanimous to approve

Change of Occupancy 134 Lincoln Ave. Suite 202 AR Powders

Ms. Amanda Lipscomb and Ms. Mary Clark appeared before the Commission. Ms. Clark stated that she would like to move AR Powders into the site previously occupied by TSS Associates.

Attorney Caponera requested Ms. Lipscomb to explain her business. Ms. Lipscomb stated that it is a powder coating business for metal materials that stops them from corrosion. It's a powder that is baked into a hard paint in an oven/powder booth. The booth has its own ventilation system, nothing gets exhausted to the outside. The oven has a limitation of 10'. Commissioner Hart requested that the oven spec sheets and SDS sheets be provided.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the Change of Occupancy for AR Powders located at 134 Lincoln Ave. Suite 202 on the condition that prior to a CO being issued that the SPEC sheet for the oven and the SDS sheets be provided and there be no outside storage. Commissioner Judge seconded the motion.

Vote: unanimous to approve

Change of Occupancy 1526 Central Ave. Fatboy Kababz N Wings The brothers Rahimi appeared before the Commission. Mr. Tariq Rahimi stated that they would like to open a kabob, burgers mostly Pakistani food establishment. The previous tenant has moved out. Commissioner Hart stated that the site plan provided is only a partial site plan, it doesn't show parking, and vegetation. A picnic table currently located in the front of the building wasn't approved for outdoor seating. Commissioner Hart suggested that the Commission not act on the Change of Occupancy until an updated site plan is provided. The Commission recommended that the applicant return with an updated site plan.

Change of Occupancy/Owner
Site Plan Review
1691 Central Avenue
Cabinets -To-Go

Mr. Daniel Hershberg appeared before the Commission.

Mr. Hershberg addressed changes to be made to the site plan that were requested by the Commission and addressed by Engineer Laberge in a letter dated August 31, 2022. Mr. Hershberg stated that he made an application to NYSDOT approximately six weeks ago regarding the driveway. He has not received a response to date. In addition, paperwork was delivered to Albany County Planning Board for the meeting to be held on September 15, 2022. Chairman Dennis addressed continued concerns regarding the wall pac lighting and visibility of the wall pac lens traveling on Central Avenue. Mr. Hershberg stated that they would make the necessary adjustments to address the concerns. County and State response is required before the Commission can grant approval for the Change of Occupancy.

Site Plan Amendment 1767 Central Avenue

Otto Cadillac

Ms. Megan Serrell and Mr. Roger Prentiss appeared before the Commission stating that the neighbor at 6 Poplar had requested a privacy fence. Ms. Serrell and Mr. Prentiss are proposing to put a 6' white vinyl privacy fence along the property line. Engineer Laberge stated that the 6' fence would have to stop at the front edge of the house. The fence will be on the Otto property. They have notified the neighbor that they were coming before the Planning Commission to request the fence and the neighbor was pleased.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the Site Plan Amendment for Otto Cadillac located at 1767 Central Avenue for a 6' white vinyl fence 64' long starting at the western property corner of 1767 with the fence put on the site plan, stamped and submitted to the Planning Commission prior to the permit being issued. Commissioner Judge seconded the motion.

Vote: unanimous to approve

Drainage Review 1769 Central Avenue Otto Cadillac

Mr. Daniel Hershberg stated that there are two infiltration basins located on the property. They would like approval for the basins to become retention basins. If they are not changed, they will be in violation of Storm Water Management rules. Discussion centered around different possibilities to address the concerns. Mr. Hershberg will look at addressing the different suggestions that were made and submit to the Village Engineer.

Discussion:

A resident had sent an email regarding concerns over the trees in front of McDonalds and Wendy's on Central Avenue that need to be trimmed or removed. Code Enforcer Meservey has been in contact with McDonald's, and they will be removing the trees and replacing them with red maples. Wendy's has not responded to the building department yet.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Commissioner Chudzinski seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Rueckert - Planning Coordinator