

**VILLAGE OF KENMORE  
PLANNING BOARD  
May 27, 2014**

Roll Call: Bruce Shearer  
Tom Fleming  
Marcia Brogan  
Fred Frank  
Noreen Flynn  
Michael Foster

Absent: Dan Spitzer

**3173 Delaware Avenue – Sign – THE VAPOR CHAMBER**

The Applicant, Timothy Sheehan, was not present. Clerk Higgins stated that the applicant is applying for two signs, one being a flag sign which is not regulated, so it is not permitted. We will only be discussing the building wall sign.

Inspector Berns reminded the Board that this was the second time this building sign was being discussed. At the previous meeting, the Board liked the sign but wanted it to be a put on permanent material. The sign proposal is now on aluminum which is permanent material. The Board also wanted the applicant to paint the building behind the sign and Mr. Berns stated that the façade still looks exposed and unfinished and is painted partly grey and partly black.

Bruce Shearer stated that there really is nothing to discuss about the sign, but asked if the Board could stipulate that they paint the wall behind the sign.

Bruce Shearer motioned that the sign be approved as submitted, conditioned that the brick work behind the sign be painted grey to match the rest of the building.

Seconded by Tom Fleming and approved by all members in attendance.

Fred Frank motioned to deny the request for the flag sign.

Seconded by Michael Foster and the motion was approved by all members in attendance.

**2733 Elmwood Avenue – Additional Parking Spaces at apartment building**

The applicant, Stephan Kuklich, was present. Mr. Kuklich is proposing adding three parking spaces marked “A”, “B” and “C” on the attached drawing. “B” and “C” both jut out

beyond the building line and cover part of the sidewalk facing Elmwood. "A" is along the building on the Somerton side.

Tom Fleming said he does not want cars to extend beyond the front of the building line. Mr. Shearer recommends that he install concrete curbs in front of "B" and "C" spaces at the sidewalk. Mr. Kuklich stated that his insurance company won't allow the curbs due to liability issue.

With regards to Space "A", Inspector Berns stated that you can't park cars along the building due to a fire issue and all Board members agreed that space "A" could not be approved.

Fred Frank asked why the applicant is asking for three spaces when he could add more spaces by restriping and angling the current parking spaces. He explained to applicant by showing him on the site plan how he could probably add five more parking spaces by having angled parking in lieu of parallel parking. There was much discussion between the Board and the applicant back and forth about the pros and cons of angled parking vs the proposed parking.

Bruce Shearer motioned to table any action by the Board tonight and recommends to the applicant that he return with a site plan for angled parking.

Seconded by Marcia Brogan.

Mr. Kuklich continued to argue that he doesn't want angled parking and he would like to revise his request for two spaces at "B" and "C" that won't encroach the sidewalk.

Since the applicant is unwilling to do angle parking.

Mr. Shearer revised his Motion that applicant come back with a site plan with measurements for the two spaces he wants at location "B" and "C". No action taken on space "A".

Seconded by Marcia Brogan and approved by all members in attendance.

### **1565 Kenmore Avenue – Sign – HOUSE OF VAPOR**

Bill Ruffino was present from ASAP sign company.

Bruce Shearer stated the applicant was applying for a projecting LED sign.

Tom Fleming motioned to approve the sign as presented.

Seconded by Fred Frank and approved by all members in attendance.

**3199 Delaware Avenue – Sign – ASAP SIGNS**

Applicant and owner Bill Ruffino was present. He presented a proposal for a wall sign and a pole sign.

Bruce Shearer stated he does not like the colors of the signs.

Mr. Ruffino stated he would change the background color to black from blue on both signs and would paint the pole black in lieu of white.

Noreen Flynn requested green space or a planter at the base of the pole sign.

Inspector Berns advised that the pole sign is limited to 30 square feet.

Mr. Ruffino stated that since he is fabricating a new cabinet for the pole sign, he will change the square footage from 32' to 30'.

Bruce Shearer motioned to approve the wall sign with the condition that the background color be changed from blue to black.

Seconded by Tom Fleming and approved by all members in attendance.

Bruce Shearer motioned to approve the pole sign with the following stipulations:

1. Change the background color from blue to black.
2. Amend the dimensions of the “cabinet” to reduce it to 30 sq. ft. from 32 sq. ft.
3. The pole will not exceed 20 feet in height.
4. The pole would be painted black in lieu of white.
5. There would be a planter/green space at the base of the pole.

Seconded by Marcia Brogan and approved by all members in attendance.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

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The meeting was adjourned and the next meeting will be June 23, 2014.

Gail T. Higgins  
Deputy Clerk