

**MARIEMONT ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2019**

Mayor Policastro called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Ms. Stalzer, Mr. Kintner, Mr. Wren and Mr. Bentley. Also in attendance was the Building Administrator Don Keyes.

Ms. Stalzer moved, seconded by Mr. Kintner to approve the minutes as written for October 17, 2019. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

The first application was from Cincinnati Waldorf School, 6743 Chestnut Street, Mariemont, OH to add a 2 inch gas pipe to the exterior of the brick building from the ground to the second floor at which point, it will enter the building for use in an additional HVAC system.

Findings of the Building Department Administrator:

As the associated picture shows, there are currently two pipes running up the side of the building for previous wiring that have not been removed. The proposed pipe would be a third pipe in the group. The permit for the HVAC system has not yet been entered so additional information on the system is unknown.

Mr. Keyes said he called Duke Energy to be sure that there was nothing in the code that prevented the pipe from going up the wall to the second floor on the outside. It is not a problem as far as Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Kintner asked if there was anything in the existing pipes. Mr. Keyes that there was nothing and believes they are old telephone conduit. It is unclear if the pipes are staying or if they will be removed.

Mayor Policastro said he does not have a problem with the necessity of bringing air conditioning into the building.

Mr. Bill Brown, 4030 Lytle Woods Drive, said his concern is that gas line is normally black steel. It should be required that Waldorf School paint it to match the existing pipes. And the Board might also inquire removing the unused pipes. Mr. Wren said they may have to take them down anyway to access what is behind.

Mr. Keyes believes because the boiler is old that they will install the HVAC unit on the second floor which will heat and cool. He has not yet received a permit application. Mr. Bentley agreed with Mr. Brown that the pipe should be painted so it does not rust.

Mr. Kintner, moved, seconded by Mr. Wren to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness subject to the applicant removing the two non-functioning existing pipes and painting the new gas lines. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

The second application was from Sunset Property Solutions, 3053 Madison Road, Cincinnati, OH to replace the awnings on the front of both of the buildings at 6700 Chestnut St. and 3900 Oak St., on the northern corners of Oak and Chestnut Streets. The awnings would be the same design and would hang in the current location across the front of both buildings. The new awnings will be a different color from the existing awnings.

Findings of the Building Department Administrator:

The existing awning structure is a mostly metal structure, which will not change. The associated information indicates the scalloped awnings would be Manhattan Dune color combination with brown braid.

Mr. Keyes said he has no indication when the awnings were mounted but guesses they have not been up as long as the buildings. He believes they will also put in a request for new windows.

Mr. Brown said he went and looked at the buildings and wanted to see if they were the original feature to the building. When he looked at them the awnings are substantial in nature. The roof is made out of metal with the fringe being fabric. The brackets are very heavy metal. This is not recent work. One could say it was original to the buildings. It does not conflict with the design.

Mr. Kintner asked if the purpose of the awning was to block the sunlight. Mr. Brown said the photos show that the awing does provide shading over the glass.

Mr. Bentley moved, seconded by Ms. Stalzer to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with the colors to match as closely as possible. Mr. Wren passed around his phone which has a sample on it. On roll call; five ayes, no nays.

Mr. Kintner asked if the start time of the ARB meetings could be pushed back. It was agreed to discuss the matter at the first meeting in 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Mary Ann Schwartz
Secretary