Minutes of the Community Design Commission Special Meeting March 21, 2019 7:30 p.m. Village Hall Room 201

Community Design Commission Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. and roll was called. A quorum was present.

Attendees: Chair Douglas Chien; Commissioners: Greg Kolar (7:33PM), C. Scott Smith, Juan Betancur, Cindy Wong, Jonathan Kirk and Jason Bergwerff

Absent: Commissioners: Nick Sinadinos, Richard Katz, & Lloyd Natof

Also present: Craig Failor, Village Planner and Michael Bruce, Zoning Administrator

Non-Agenda Public Comment: None

Minutes:

December 5, 2018: Commissioner Betancur moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Smith seconded. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved unanimously as submitted.

Public Hearing(s); Sitting as the Design Review Commission:

Cal. No. 01-19-DRC: 325-331 N. Harlem Avenue & 100-107 S. Maple Avenue & 1133 South Blvd. The Applicant, Lincoln Property Company, is seeking variations from the Sign Code of the Village of Oak Park to permit the installation of two (2) 85.25 square feet projecting signs, one on the west elevation and one on the north elevation of the building at approximately 40.5 feet above grade, and two (2) wall signs above the second story window sill, one on the north elevation and one on the south elevation of the building where there is no street frontage.

Mr. Joe Segobiano provided a presentation as the applicant.

Zoning Administrator Bruce provided an overview of the staff report.

Mr. Segobiano indicated that there were four sign variances being requested for two wall signs and two projecting (blade) signs corresponding to the graphics within the application.

The Commission discussed the pros and cons of such signs relative to size, illumination, location and visibility; deciding that the wall sign proposed on the south elevation at the top of the building was not appropriate, ineffective and would set precedence at being that high on a building. The other three signs were acceptable and supported by the commission.

Commissioner Betancur made a motion to approve three signs; two projecting (blade) signs and one wall sign located on the north elevation as presented; Commissioner Kirk seconded the motion. A roll call vote was as follows:

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Chair Chien Yes

Motion Approved 7-0

Commissioner Kirk made a motion to approve the wall sign on the north elevation; Commissioner Bergwerff seconded the motion. A roll call vote was as follows:

Betancur No
Kirk No
Kolar No
Smith No
Wong No
Bergwerff Yes
Chair Chien No

Motion Failed 1-7

The amended Resolution passed 7-0

Other Business

None

Reports

Staff Report

Village Planner Failor provided an update on the capital improvement projects in the village and answered questions.

Adjournment

Commissioner Kirk moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Commissioner Kolor. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Prepared by; Craig Failor, Staff Liaison