

CHILI ARCHITECTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 10, 2020

A meeting of the Chili Architectural Advisory Committee was held on March 10, 2020 at the Chili Town Hall, 3333 Chili Avenue, Rochester, New York 14624 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson James Ignatowski.

PRESENT: Robert Latragna, Matt Emens and Chairman James Ignatowski.

Chairperson James Ignatowski declared this to be a legally constituted meeting of the Chili Architectural Advisory Committee. He explained the meeting's procedures and introduced the Committee and front table. He announced the fire safety exits.

1. Review of color changes to the proposed Taco Bell located at 3240 Chili Avenue, Chili NY

Betsy Brugg and Chris Kambar were present to represent the application.

MR. KAMBAR: Good evening. My name is Chris Kambar with ADP Engineering and Architecture. Also, I'm a civil engineer by trade. I know this is an Architectural Board. That is why brought our architect. This is Samantha Gardner. She is with ADP, as well as also Betsy Brugg and Gaspare Accordo.

I will let Sam (Gardner) explain some of the minor changes that have happened in the last year. This project kind of got put on hold while we were waiting for the developer to clean up a few issues that the Town had cited them for.

Since that has happened, we were able to come back in front of the Board and finish our approvals. With that, I will turn it over to Sam (Gardner).

MS. BRUGG: Correct that. Not the developer. The plaza owner.

MR. KAMBAR: Well --

MS. BRUGG: Not our client. Just to be clear.

MR. KAMBAR: Sorry. Yes. Thank you, Betsy (Brugg).

MS. GARDNER: Hello. My name is Samantha Gardner. I'm the project designer for this project. Since we were also here in April, we have really only had a couple minor changes. We have expanded the footprint. It has gotten a little larger in the X and Y direction. Overall, the materials have stayed the same. We're still using the same brick, the same EIFS, cornice. All of those have stayed the same.

The only difference is to the facade is we have added more spandrel windows, I think, along every side of the building. So really those are the only changes. It got a little bigger and we have added more fenestrations along the building.

So the staff recommended we come back and those are the changes.

MR. ACCORDO: I'm Gaspare Accordo with ADP Engineering and Architecture. We want to apologize for -- the renderings that were plotted did not really cooperate with us. So the drawings look a little darker than the actual building, but we have the material -- materials, which was the same as we had the last time in April. So the materials themselves have not changed. But the plotter for some reason got a little too dark this time. Thank you.

ROBERT LATRAGNA: Can you go over the change -- this says there is a change in color. Can you go over the changes?

MS. GARDNER: Change in color?

ROBERT LATRAGNA: My review says you're changing colors on this.

MS. GARDNER: We are not changing the color.

ROBERT LATRAGNA: What are you changing other than --

MS. GARDNER: Just the building footprint is getting a little larger and we're adding the spandrel windows. Those are the only changes.

MATT EMENS: Which I think, if I can throw this out there, I think was actually comments that came from someone on the Planning Board. So those are actually things that we did not address. It was brought up at the Planning Board, with the additional spandrel glass. And I believe the building got longer and wider because you put the storage or the freezer -- the freezer and storage inside?

MR. ACCORDO: Yes.

MATT EMENS: Is that correct? Okay. So I think that is why it happened.

MS. BRUGG: I was actually surprised we needed to come back to Architecture Review.

MATT EMENS: Change of colors, but you have the same colors?

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: I was contacted by the Building Department asking if we need to review it again because the colors have changed and, of course, I said, "Yes." So my apologies. Obviously that is not true.

MS. BRUGG: That is not true.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: So waste of your time, unfortunately.

MS. BRUGG: Always a pleasure to come here.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: If I would have known this would have happened, I would have had coffee and donuts waiting.

MATT EMENS: Well, tacos. (Laughter.)

ROBERT LATRAGNA: I don't have any further questions.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: I have no further questions. The building looks great.

The addition of the extra glass, of course, makes it look more presentable. I do like the colors. I like the materials that you're using.

MATT EMENS: Just one question that is somewhat related. In the Planning Board package, the -- the response to the engineering letter, the question about the fence, did we bring drawings of the fence, the elevations of the fence?

MR. KAMBAR: Yes.

MATT EMENS: It would be good for these guys to see that, too, because I know that will come up at 7 o'clock or whenever at the Planning meeting.

MS. GARDNER: It's in the rendering.

MATT EMENS: There is the landscape islands that are in there? Is that one of the changes? So I think what we had asked for was just to see the fence elevations.

MR. KAMBAR: I do have a large view, but I figure it would be easier to see that.

MATT EMENS: So aluminum fence. So double top rail, double bottom rail.

Chris (Kambar), does that go between -- are there stone pilasters?

MS. GARDNER: Yes.

MR. ACCORDO: In this rendering, it is a little dark, but it shows up.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: Could you rotate that just a hair? We're getting a pretty poor side view.

MS. GARDNER: You can see all along here (indicating). It is between the brick pilasters.

MATT EMENS: It's not continuous, however? We did talk about -- because you can see a bird's eye view.

MS. GARDNER: There is a break in the sidewalk.

MR. KAMBAR: We'll put breaks and trees in between.

MS. GARDNER: There and there (indicating).

MATT EMENS: Patio almost is gone so the fence doesn't go around the patio.

MR. KAMBAR: There is an expanse of concrete that is going to be used as a patio, but it's not enclosed and the fence does give you a separation between the street and that area.

MATT EMENS: Pedestrian walk-out. Okay.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: Is that the same material you would be using around the dumpster enclosures or what is the plan for those?

MR. KAMBAR: No. The dumpster enclosure is hardscaped. So it is the same brick material or --

MS. GARDNER: Brick material as the building.

MR. KAMBAR: Brick veneer over 6-inch reinforced CMU wall, brick to match the building.

MATT EMENS: Precast cap?

MR. KAMBAR: Yep.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: All right.

MR. KAMBAR: There will be landscaping around that, as well.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: Okay.

ROBERT LATRAGNA: No issues.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: I have no other questions or further comments.

MATT EMENS: All set. Thank you.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: Thank you very much.

MR. ACCORDO: Hopefully we won't see you again for this project. Maybe another project.

JAMES IGNATOWSKI: Due to the fact -- the next thing on the agenda is draft minutes, but no one received them, so I can't approve them. So we'll put them off to the next meeting.

The meeting ended at 6:09 p.m.