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**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
Public Hearing
Wednesday, September 16, 2020**

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2, as amended; the Governor's Executive Orders, as amended; and in accordance with Ordinance 20-O-23, Continuity of Governmental Operations during Pandemic Disaster (COVID-19), as amended and readopted by the Herndon Town Council on September 8, 2020, which superseded previously adopted amendments. Chairman Walker has stated that the September 16, 2020 Architectural Review Board public hearing will be by electronic means. The meeting was broadcast and recorded through Cisco WebEx and details for the meeting were made available to the public on Friday, September 11, 2020. In attendance electronically were: Chairman Walker, Vice Chair Leslie Blaker-Glass and Board Members: Eric Boll, Lauren Edmondson and Hiren Shah.

Staff present during the meeting: Lauri Sigler, Deputy Town Attorney; Christopher Garcia, Community Design Planner; and Erika Orellana, Clerk to Boards and Commissions.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Erika Orellana, Clerk to Boards and Commissions, stated that the Architectural Review Board public hearing will hold its first electronic meeting. The Clerk to the Boards and Commissions welcomed those listening and encouraged the public to provide comments for the record at hprb.arb@herndon-va.gov.

Ms. Orellana stated, for the record, that:

- The Architectural Review Board public hearing that evening was conducted electronically Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2, as amended; the Governor's Executive Orders, as amended; and in accordance with Ordinance 20-O-23, Continuity of Governmental Operations during Pandemic Disaster (COVID-19), as amended and readopted by the Herndon Town Council on September 8, 2020, which superseded previously adopted amendments.
- Proper notice of the electronic meeting was provided in accordance with Section 2.2-3708.2 of the Code of Virginia, along with information for viewing the meeting and submitting comments for the record;

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- The agenda and meeting materials are available on the town's website;
- Electronic meetings will begin with a roll call and determination of quorum; and
- All votes, including adjournment, will be by roll call vote.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Chairman Walker called the public hearing by electronic means to order at 8:23 p.m. and asked Ms. Orellana to call the roll for attendance. All members were present, remotely based on their respective location, with Chairman Walker presiding.

2. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Chairman Walker stated, for the record, that there was a quorum present, electronically, that evening. Deputy Town Attorney, Lauri Sigler and Community Design Planner, Chris Garcia were also present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Walker stated that the public hearing would be conducted by electronic means pursuant to the appropriate laws.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**3. Vote on August 5, 2020
Work Session Minutes**

On motion of Vice Chair Blaker-Glass, seconded by Board Member Shah, the minutes of the Wednesday, August 5, 2020 Work Session were approved by a vote of 5-0, the vote was: Board Members Boll, Edmondson, Shah, Vice Chair Blaker-Glass and Chairman Walker voting "Aye."

**4. Vote on August 19 , 2020
Public Hearing Minutes**

On motion of Vice Chair Blaker-Glass, seconded by Board Member Boll, the minutes of the Wednesday, August 19, 2020 Public Hearing were approved by a vote of 5-0-1, the vote was: Board Members Boll, Edmondson, Vice Chair Blaker-Glass and Chairman Walker voting "Aye." Board Member Shah abstained.

5. COMMENTS BY THE BOARD MEMBERS

There were no comments by the Board Members.

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6. COMMENTS BY THE STAFF

Chris Garcia informed the Board Members that there is one application submitted for the October ARB meetings and a discussion item, with a second submission for the Park Place urban residential development plan, that would be returning to the ARB. Staff would advise the Board soon with more details about next month's meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. **APPLICATION FOR A WALL OR WINDOW SIGN, ARB #20-018**, to consider an application to install a new business wall sign on the multi-tenant commercial building located at 504 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia, located at the intersection of Elden Street and Grant Street, and further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0162-02-0217. The property is zoned CS, Commercial Services, and consists of 19,824 square feet of land. Owner/Applicant: Saba, LLC c/o M. Ashraf Imam, Manager. Applicant's Representative/Agent: Anthony Bashorun, Signarama.

Certificates of Publication were filed from the Editor of the *Fairfax County Times Newspapers*, showing that notices of said public hearing had been duly advertised in the Friday, August 28, 2020 and September 4, 2020 issues.

Chairman Walker opened the public hearing and called on Christopher Garcia, Community Design Planner, for presentation of the staff report and updates.

Mr. Garcia presented the staff report dated September 2, 2020 and staff memo dated September 11, 2020, which are on file in the Department of Community Development.

Staff recommended approval of ARB #20-018, with the following conditions:

1. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the applicant shall submit revised building elevations with any Board approved sign placement revisions; and
2. Sign construction and materials shall be installed in substantial conformance with the revised sign materials submitted on September 15, 2020; and any additional sign location requirements approved by the Board.

Chairman Walker called on the Board Members individually for comments or questions to Mr. Garcia.

There were no comments or questions from the Board for Mr. Garcia.

Chairman Walker recognized the applicant's representative for comments.

Mr. Anthony Bashorun, applicant's representative provided brief comments which included being amenable to staff recommended sign location changes. However, Mr.

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Bashorun could not confirm property owner consent or the existing dental business owner consent to any sign relocation recommendations presented by staff.

Chairman Walker asked the Board Members for questions to the applicant representative, Mr. Anthony Bashorun.

There were brief comments and questions for Mr. Anthony Bashorun, applicant's representative by the Board, which the applicant addressed.

Chairman Walker recognized the public for comments on this item.

There were no comments from the public.

Following the public hearing, Vice Chair Blaker-Glass moved for approval of ARB #20-018 in accordance with the recommendation with conditions by staff but without any additional sign location requirements. This motion was seconded by Board Member Shah. There was no discussion on the motion.

The question was called on the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0, the vote was: Board Members Boll, Edmondson, Shah, Vice Chair Blaker-Glass and Chairman Walker voting "Aye."

8. **APPLICATION FOR A FREESTANDING SIGN, ARB #20-019**, to consider an application to install a new freestanding sign on the commercial property located at 1051 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia, located between the intersection of Elden Street and Alabama Drive and the intersection of Elden Street and Sterling Road/Locust Street, and further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0161-02-0023. The property is zoned CS, Commercial Services, and consists of 33,408 square feet of land. Owner/Applicant: Amed Investment LLC c/o Yusuf Mehmetoglu. Applicant's Representative/Agent: Anthony Bashorun, Signarama. ***Continued from the August 19, 2020 ARB Public Hearing.***

[Note: This item was continued from the August 19, 2020 ARB public hearing.]

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Chairman Walker opened the public hearing and called on Christopher Garcia, Community Design Planner, for presentation of the staff report and updates.

Mr. Garcia presented the staff memo dated August 28, 2020 and staff memo dated September 11, 2020, which are on file in the Department of Community Development.

Staff recommended denial of ARB #20-019, due to zoning non-compliance and due to use of inappropriate design materials of the freestanding sign base that are not compatible with the unique architecture of the existing commercial structure on this site.

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Chairman Walker called on the Board Members individually for comments or questions to Mr. Garcia.

There were no comments or questions from the Board for Mr. Garcia.

Chairman Walker recognized the applicant's representative for comments.

Mr. Anthony Bashorun, applicant's representative, provided his comments and requested a continuance to next month's ARB meeting(s).

Chairman Walker asked the Board Members for questions to the applicant representative, Mr. Anthony Bashorun.

There were comments and questions for Mr. Anthony Bashorun, applicant's representative by the Board.

Chairman Walker recognized the public for comments on this item.

There were no comments from the public.

Following the public hearing, Board Member Boll moved for a continuance of ARB #20-019 to the October 21, 2020 ARB public hearing. This motion was seconded by Vice Chair Blaker-Glass. There was no discussion on the motion.

The question was called on the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0, the vote was: Board Members Boll, Edmondson, Shah, Vice Chair Blaker-Glass and Chairman Walker voting "Aye."

9. **APPLICATION FOR A WALL OR WINDOW SIGN, ARB #20-020**, to consider an application to remove existing wall signs and install new business wall signs on the single-tenant commercial building and minor alteration of existing freestanding sign panel(s) located at 597 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia, located at the intersection of Elden Street and Van Buren Street, and further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0162-02-0202A. The property is zoned CS, Commercial Services, and consists of 54,720 square feet of land. Owner/Applicant: Sunoco, LLC, successor by merger to Southside Oil, LLC c/o Steven Jones, Sunoco Business Development Manager. Applicant's Representative/Agent: Gary Brent, MG Permits.

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Chairman Walker opened the public hearing and called on Christopher Garcia, Community Design Planner, for presentation of the staff report and updates.

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Mr. Garcia presented the staff report dated September 2, 2020 and staff memo dated September 11, 2020, which are on file in the Department of Community Development.

Staff recommended approval of ARB #20-020, with the following conditions:

1. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the applicant shall submit to staff for review and inclusion in the case file, revised drawings showing the following:
2. An elevation drawing of the retail building showing the revised wall sign dimensions and placement;
3. A reduction in the size of the front façade wall sign to better fit within the surface on which it is applied;
4. The removal of any vinyl applied to the fascia wall above the storefront;
5. The freestanding sign panel comprised of a material that complies with the zoning ordinance;
6. The removal of the cabinet sign on the east (side) elevation
7. Prior issuance of a building permit, the applicant shall submit materials samples for all sign features including any revised sign materials determined as a condition of approval and as required by the ARB application; and
8. The wall sign and freestanding sign panel shall be constructed and installed in substantial conformance with the revised sign design submitted on September 2, 2020 and any revisions required as conditions of this approval.

Chairman Walker called on the Board Members individually for comments or questions to Mr. Garcia.

There were no comments or questions from the Board for Mr. Garcia.

Chairman Walker recognized the applicant's representative for comments.

Mr. Gary Brent, applicant's representative provided brief comments concerning details of the revised signage submission materials.

Chairman Walker asked the Board Members for questions to the applicant representative, Mr. Gary Brent.

There were comments and questions for Mr. Gary Brent, applicant's representative by the Board.

Chairman Walker recognized the public for comments on this item.

There were no comments from the public.

Following the public hearing, Board Member Shah moved for approval of ARB #20-020 in accordance with the recommendation with conditions presented by staff. This motion was seconded by Vice Chair Blaker-Glass. There was no discussion on the motion.

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The question was called on the motion, which carried by a vote of 5-0, the vote was: Board Members Boll, Edmondson, Shah, Vice Chair Blaker-Glass and Chairman Walker voting "Aye."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



**Robert B. Walker, Chairman
Architectural Review Board**



**Erika Orellana
Clerk to Boards and Commissions**

Minutes approved by the Architectural Review Board: October 21, 2020