### HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY **Agenda Item** COA: 619 W. Main St. Title/Address: **Proposal:** Wall sign and awning sign **Petitioner: Connie Flores** SINCE 1834 Please check appropriate box (x) **PUBLIC HEARING MEETING** $\mathbf{X}$ 1/17/18 **AGENDA ITEM CATEGORY:** X Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) Façade Improvement Plan **Preliminary Review** Landmark/District Designation **Discussion Item Commission Business ATTACHMENTS:** Proposed awning sign for south elevation 3 options for wall signs for the west elevation (carriage house wall) **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** Proposed is the installation of a wall sign and awning sign for Marquee Youth Stage, located in the rear building of 619 W. Main St. The Commission previously reviewed signs for the project and provided comments in the attached

minutes.

The business owner has submitted the attached designs, which include an awning over the south elevation door and three options for a wall sign on the west elevation carriage house wall, facing 7<sup>th</sup> St.

#### **RECOMMENDATION / SUGGESTED ACTION:**

Provide feedback and recommendations on approval of the COA.

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Dr. Smunt felt the new height of the railings will overpower the look of the porch and suggested keeping it at 30 inches and running a separate, detached, hand rail above it between the two columns. Mr. Kessler said he preferred to see the railing set at the required height.

The Commissioners discussed whether square columns would look better than round ones. There was no strong preference for either one. It was decided to stay with round ones, with the option to use a synthetic material.

A motion was made by Dr. Smunt and seconded by Ms. Malay with a unanimous voice vote to approve the COA with new round columns using fiberglass, FRP or any synthetic material and a 36 inch handrail as proposed.

10. COA: 619 W. Main St. (signs)

Connie Flores, the petitioner, and Eric Larson, the owner, were present.

The proposal is for a wall sign for Marquee Youth Stage made out of MDO plywood cutouts to give a three dimensional look. The best placement is on the carriage house. Current zoning only allows one freestanding sign on the street side and there is one already there. Ms. Flores said there are doors on both sides of the carriage house and if they put their sign above one of the garage doors it may be confusing as to where their entrance is. She said they may also need to include a directional arrow sign to point to the correct door with something to show it is also the handicap accessible door. Dr. Smunt suggested having an arrow pointing towards the entrance.

Ms. Malay suggested having a half glass door and putting in a window sign. This would not count towards their sign allotment. Mr. Colby noted the only limitation with window signs is that it cannot cover more than 50% of the window frame that it is in.

Mr. Krahenbuhl said the proposed sign does not fit in with the wood on the building. Ms. Flores said she might use metallic paint to give the sign a more vintage flair. She also mentioned using goose neck lighting above it. She said she considered removing the image of the spotlight from the design of the sign and adding a three dimensional spotlight to the side of the building.

Mr. Larson felt the proposed design was a bit too "cartoony" for a historic building. Ms. Flores said people who are familiar with them know this logo and would be looking for it this way. Mr. Kessler said if that is their logo, putting it on a flat sign and then mounting it on the side of the building would be the simplest way of doing this. Dr. Smunt agreed and said this would make it easier to relocate the sign when the property undergoes future redevelopment.

The Commissioners advised they need to see drawings of the proposed suggestions before making a decision.

A motion was made by Dr. Smunt and seconded by Mr. Krahenbuhl with a unanimous voice vote to table the item to the January 3, 2018 meeting.

# Sign Submission for Marquee Youth Stage



Sign details: New Sunbrella (black) awning. 144" W x 48" H x 24" Projection w/open sides and 8" fixed front valance.

Type of Illumination: External (existing)

Graphic area: Logo @ 42" H x 62" W = 18 sq. ft. Tagline @ 6" H x 65" w = 3 sq. ft. Total = 21 sq. ft.

Allowable sign limit:  $1.5 \times 60'$  (width) = 90 sq. ft.

Special Notes:

• The garage door has been replaced by double glass doors

• Design & install by Aubrey Sign Co.

• South side of building facing parking lot



#### **AWNING**

Account:

Marquee Youth Stage

Location:

619 W. Main St. St. Charles, IL

Date: 1/1/18

IS ARTWORK REMAINS THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY FTHE AUBREY SIGN CO. UNTIL PAID FOR, IN FULL, BY USTOMER. USE OF THIS ARTWORK FOR ANY OMMERCIAL PURPOSE WITHOUT OUR WRITTEN PRINSSION WILL RESULT IN 4 \$1,000 PENALTY.

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## A: Acrylic printed marquee sign



Approx:6' wide x 3' tall

# B: Barn wood plank with wooden silver letters



- Approx: 8' wide x 2' tall, sealed with Sherwin
- Williams outdoor clear coat
- Pine letters: 7.87 inches (H) x
  .71 inches (W) x 7.36 inches (L)

C: Barnwood plank Sign with mixed historic barn planks



- 7' Wide X 2' Tall historic barn wood
- sealed with Sherwin Williams outdoor clear coat
- Pine letters: 7.87 inches
- Letters: (H) x .71 inches (W) x 7.36 inches (L)



West side of building off 7th St

