

Design Review Board
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Those present were:

Stuyvesant Wainwright III, Chairman
C. Sherrill Dayton, Member
Robert D. Caruso, Member
Kristin Corwin, Member
Elizabeth Baldwin, Village Attorney
William Hajek, Village Planner
Giorgio Citarella, Vice President of Operations, Kean Development
Pat Collins, Architect, 44 Huntting Lane, LLC
Ed Dhyne, Architect, 44 Huntting Lane, LLC
John Kean, Kean Development
Jordyn Fishman, Agent on behalf of Van De Weghe
Jody Gambino, LTV Moderator
Pamela J. Bennett, Deputy Clerk

1. **Chairman Report on Outdoor Dining and Outdoor Display/Signage**

Mr. Wainwright: Welcome to the virtual meeting of the Design Review Board. I had sincerely hoped that by now we would be able to be back in our old haunt. I want to give a short report. By Executive Order, the Mayor has made some changes with respect to outdoor dining and to displays and this is basically to try to help businesses survive and I must say Kenny Collum has really been, carrying most of the load but for outdoor dining on behalf of the DRB I have approved Rowdy Hall, Citta (Cittanuova), the Golden Pear, Babette's, Mary's Marvelous, Maidstone Inn, East Hampton Grill, and the Highway Diner, all for tables, chairs, lights, etc. And for display we have approved Sunflow, 55 Main Street, and they have a beach chair outside their entrance, and Guild Hall has a sign outside their entrance basically with respect to you have to wear a mask. That is what I have approved on behalf of our Board.

2. Minutes

Mr. Wainwright: The next item on the agenda are the minutes of May 19th which were previously distributed. Any questions, comments, if not, I would appreciate a motion to approve.

Mr. Caruso: I will make that motion.

Mr. Dayton: I second.

Mr. Wainwright: Second?

Ms. Corwin: I will second.

Mr. Wainwright: All in favor?

Mr. Dayton: Aye.

Mr. Caruso: Aye.

Ms. Corwin: Aye.

Mr. Wainwright: Thank you.

3. 44 Huntting Lane, LLC – 44 Huntting Lane – SCTM #301-3-7-17

Mr. Wainwright: The next item is 44 Huntting Lane. Gentlemen, if you would explain what you are doing, what you would like to do, excuse me.

Mr. Citarella: Good morning Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board. My name is Giorgio Citarella and I represent 44 Huntting Lane, LLC and Kean Development Company. The application is 44 Huntting Lane, LLC. With me today is Pat Collins, the lead designer from Kean Designs and Ed Dhyne private architect for Kean Designs. As for our submission, submitted to the Board in June, we are requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposal and the plans submitted. Kean Development will make every effort to preserve the façade of the house at 44 Huntting Lane to the greatest extent possible. Back in August of 2013 this Board granted approval for a very

similar but larger home on this property so if you have any questions, we have also Mr. Kean here, and the architects too to answer any questions.

Mr. Wainwright: Can I start with Bob Hefner who has, Bob we have your letter of July 1, if you would go over that and any comments with respect to this property.

Mr. Hefner: Sure. This property has been before the Board for a long time, probably 2010 was the first time we saw plans for it and the Board did approve a proposal back in 2013 for a much larger house, 10,000 square feet. So, the present proposal the treatment of the historic house is essentially the same as what was approved in 2013, the front façade and important features are retained. And the big difference of course is that the overall size of the house has been reduced by about 4,500 square feet obviously because of the subdivision of the property so it is a smaller, resulting in a smaller house. The total GFA would be 5,900 approximately so this allows the historic house to have a much greater integrity of setting and the addition would be in scale with it. It would be about a 25 percent increase of the GFA of the historic house so considering that the Board previously approved the same scope of work to the historic house and the addition is much smaller, this is certainly an improvement over what was previously authorized by the Board.

Mr. Wainwright: Thank you Bob. I mean it is a nice set of plans and it is 4,000 odd square feet smaller than what we had actually approved but also the property was substantially larger. Any questions from the Board Members or the developers?

Ms. Corwin: No. It is a beautiful plan.

Mr. Wainwright: It is a nice-looking house. Could I have a motion to approve a, what is the...

Ms. Bennett: Certificate of Appropriateness.

Mr. Wainwright: Certificate of Appropriateness.

Ms. Corwin: I make the motion.

Mr. Wainwright: Do we have a second?

Mr. Dayton: I will second it.

Mr. Wainwright: All in favor?

Mr. Dayton: Aye.

Mr. Caruso: Aye.

Mr. Wainwright: Thank you, good luck guys.

Mr. Giorgio: Thank you for your time.

Mr. Wainwright: I know it has been a long and audious process.

Mr. Kean: To say the least, thank you.

4. Van De Weghe – Premises of 66 Newtown Corp. – 66 Newtown Lane –
SCTM #301-4-2-5.2

Mr. Wainwright: The next item on the agenda is a request by Van De Weghe which is a new, 66 Newtown Lane, I believe it is an art gallery. They have made application for a table and chairs. Is the applicant on?

Ms. Fishman: Yes, I am here.

Mr. Wainwright: Welcome. We cannot see you but we can hear you. If you would be so kind as to tell us what you would like.

Ms. Fishman: Yes, my name is Jordyn, I am representing Van De Weghe Ltd. We would like to request permission to put a table and chairs, 47-inch-wide, outside of the front of this space, Suite D, at 66 Newtown Lane, and it would be under the awning and out on the brick of the road outside on the sidewalk.

Mr. Wainwright: That would be on the, your brick or is that the Village brick?

Ms. Fishman: I am not exactly positive whether it is considered ours or Village but it is directly outside of the front door and our request detailed this in the front and the back of the building.

Ms. Baldwin: I think Kenny said it was on their property.

Mr. Wainwright: Okay. And the purpose of this table and chairs?

Ms. Fishman: The purpose would be for clients who cannot enter the gallery.

Mr. Wainwright: And you are restricting how many people, if there were people in the gallery already, then others would be waiting because I presume you have a limited number you can put in at any given time?

Ms. Fishman: Correct, yes. And if there are too many people in the gallery then the intent is that the owner of the gallery could take meetings outside at the table.

Mr. Wainwright: All right because we are temporarily allowing outside displays but that is really for selling merchandise and in this case obviously you are not going to have, you are not selling the table, you are not selling the chairs.

Mr. Dayton: They are not selling food.

Mr. Wainwright: And they are not selling food. And as I should have said before, this temporary Executive Order does expire in November so it is a limited time.

Ms. Fishman: Yes, we are aware of that.

Mr. Wainwright: But normally outside displays are not allowed and I am not entirely sure how this table and chairs, I understand what you are trying to do but I am not sure it falls within the purview of the Executive Order. What do you think? Beth, can you think how that...

Ms. Baldwin: Right, this would not be within the Executive Order, this is something that they are seeking approval for and it would be permanently part of their site plan.

Mr. Hajek: The Board has allowed tables and chair before.

Mr. Caruso: Do you not think that if you have table and chairs will people not bring food and drink to those tables? Is that the purpose? I think people will probably have lunches there or something like that or whatever.

Ms. Fishman: Yes, the intent is for it to be for clientele and Van De Weghe employee use only though so there may be lunches outside but it would be for the owner and employees to meet with clients.

Mr. Wainwright: I am a little concerned and I am really concerned about the permanency. Beth, would it be possible to approve this on a short-term basis i.e. this would expire at the same time as the Executive Order even though it is not covered by the Executive Order so that presumably, hopefully next summer it would not be required because businesses hopefully will be able to go along as they are.

Ms. Baldwin: Right. Billy, is this something that is even permitted by the Code?

Mr. Hajek: Well the Code prohibits outdoor display and selling of merchandise outdoors so as long as they are not selling the table and chairs and it is for employee use only or meeting with clients...

Ms. Baldwin: And it is not on Village property so it does not fall into the Executive Order.

Mr. Hajek: Correct. I believe the Board has allowed seating at other establishments before as long as it is not seating that is being displayed for sale.

Ms. Baldwin: Okay.

Mr. Wainwright: I do not recall. Jordyn, would it be possible to amend your application to put in an ending date of November 1st of 2020?

Ms. Fishman: Yes, we can do that.

Mr. Wainwright: So that after this summer or next year we will not really have a precedent and if you wanted to re-examine it, we could re-examine it.

Ms. Fishman: Okay.

Mr. Wainwright: How does the Board feel about that?

Mr. Dayton: I agree.

Mr. Caruso: Agreed.

Ms. Corwin: Looks good.

Mr. Dayton: How many chairs and tables would they allow outside?

Mr. Wainwright: I think it is one table and four chairs as I recall. I do not have it in front of me.

Ms. Fishman: Correct.

Mr. Wainwright: Like the others, you are responsible for keeping it clean, no papers, no food stuff blowing area.

Ms. Fishman: Yes, understood.

Mr. Wainwright: Very good.

Ms. Fishman: Just to be clear, would you like me to re-submit an application in writing with an end date of November 1st?

Mr. Wainwright: Yes, if you could send that to Pam, I think we could ask for a motion to approve with the change even though the change has not yet gotten to us.

Ms. Fishman: Okay.

Mr. Wainwright: So, could someone make a motion to approve the table and chairs outside 66 Newtown Lane with an expiration date no later than, it will be removed no later than November 1st and also that every night before the business closes, the table and chairs will be taken inside.

Mr. Caruso: I will make that motion.

Mr. Dayton: I agree to that.

Mr. Wainwright: All in favor?

Ms. Corwin: Aye.

Mr. Wainwright: Aye.

Mr. Dayton: Aye.

Mr. Caruso: Aye.

Mr. Wainwright: Bob or Billy, do you have anything else to come up before us?

Mr. Hefner: No.

Mr. Hajek: No.

Mr. Wainwright: Anybody have anything to add before we adjourn?

Mr. Dayton: Nothing at the time.

Mr. Wainwright: Jody, thank you for your assistance.

Mr. Gambino: You are welcome.

Mr. Wainwright: May I have a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Caruso: I will make that motion.

Mr. Dayton: Second.

Mr. Wainwright: Thank you all very much for your help. Hopefully, before too long, we will be able to...

Mr. Dayton: Be back at our headquarters.

Mr. Wainwright: Go back to the palace. Thank you all very much.

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VILLAGE OF EAST HAMPTON, NY
DATE: August 4, 2020
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

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