

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of January 15, 2008

Members Present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Larry McEwen, Co-Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fran O'Donnell, Business Assoc
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Greg Woodring, Co-Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pam Learnard, TT&P
<input type="checkbox"/>	Joyce Lenhardt, LUPZC	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parking Foundation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Patrick McGranaghan, LUPZC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joanne Dhody, Aesthetics
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bill Washburn, Historical Society	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ned Mitinger, VP Physical

Others Attending

Miguel Castañeda, owner Cuba restaurant
Lou Aiello, contractor Cuba
Craig Lennard, architect Cuba
Martha Sharkey, CH Community Manager
Melissa Nash, recorder

Larry McEwen, co-chair, opened the meeting at 7:30pm. Approval of the November minutes was postponed until the February meeting.

8609 Germantown Avenue Cuba Restaurant

•Presentation: Miguel Castañeda stated that he included take-out and live music in his application to L&I, and this generated a refusal. The restaurant itself is allowed, as the property is C-2. The restaurant is scheduled to open at the end of February. Greg Woodring asked if this was the cause of the construction stoppage. The stoppage was the result of a change in contractors and has resumed. G Woodring asked if the focus of the business was to be take-out. It is not. It will be a small restaurant with 30-34 seats. Take-out was envisioned as being patrons taking their leftover food home. The hours of operation will be 11-11, seven days a week. Music will occur 2-4 times each month from 8pm to 10 pm. It will be live Latin jazz performed by a small combo G Woodring pointed out that patrons taking home "doggy bags" does not require take-out permission. Fran O'Donnell stated that the restaurant has the support of the Business Association. Pam Learnard asked how the City monitored noise levels. A description of the noise reporting procedures followed. The restaurant will have dining on the street side of the building with a kitchen/pick-up entrance in the rear on the parking lot. L McEwen asked if Cuba would participate in the parking sticker program. It will. Cuba does plan to offer take-out lunches for businesses. The ZBA hearing is scheduled for January 16 and will be continued.

•Committee Questions/Discussion: Signs were asked about. They will need to be reviewed by the Aesthetics Committee (met earlier today). P Learnard asked about parking for pick-up. Stopping on Germantown Avenue is illegal. Pick-up would be at the rear. She noted that if the variance for take-out were to be pursued, Cuba should attend the TT&P meeting on the first Monday of February at 7:30pm. Additional lighting is needed on the parking lot entrance. If Cuba does not wish to pursue the take-out variance, then the music variance can be voted on and sent to the Board for the January meeting. It was moved that the committee recommend support of the request for a variance to have live music at Cuba restaurant. The motion was seconded and approved. Martha Sharkey asked that a short summary of the committee's action be prepared for the Board meeting. L McEwen will do this. It was recommended that representatives of the restaurant attend the Board meeting.

Committee Business

- A brief explanation of the committee process was given to Pam Learnard, as she is new to TT&P.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:40.