

**VILLAGE OF KENMORE  
PLANNING BOARD  
June 27, 2023**

PRESENT: Bruce Shearer  
Michael Foster  
Andrew Ross  
Colleen Donovan  
David McLaughlin

Kathleen Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer  
Michael Berns, Building Inspector

ABSENT: Robert Rumpl  
Sara Schumacher-Marks

**2941 DELAWARE AVENUE – NINE’S FOOD SERVICE, INC.**

The applicant wants to replace the windows and door. There are no plans for the brick. The applicant says that windows are the most time sensitive, so he’s looking for approval for that piece. They are consistent with what is currently there, only shorter.

Michael Berns stated that there will be approval for the brickwork at a later date.

Michael Foster added that they normally look at the full package, not piecemeal.

Bruce Shearer moved to approve as submitted, with the understanding that the applicant is to return with any signage or façade work.

Seconded by Colleen Donovan, and approved by all members in attendance.

**2534 ELMWOOD AVENUE – STRAIGHT UP WINE AND LIQUOR SIGNAGE**

The applicant, Donna Domagala, explained that they have received a revitalization grant. The brick will be painted on the front and side of the building and they will be replacing the signage. The four support posts will have stacked stone and the pole sign will have a wooden planter box and a sign.

Bruce Shearer would like them to remove the “boxing sign” (for the business next door which has closed) and place the “Straight Up” signage centered on the front. He also would like to see the blacked out windows removed.

Michael Berns recommended not putting the boxing sign back up. He also noted that any coating can only cover 25% of the window. He also noted that there are too many window signs. With only 25% of the window allowed to be covered.

Michael Foster moved to approved as presented with conditions that the boxing sign not be re-installed and all windows comply with the 25% rule including black-out. His motion also includes approval of the box surrounding the pole sign.

Seconded by Bruce Shearer, and approved by all members in attendance.

### **2876 DELAWARE AVENUE – 1.25 AND UP AWNING AND SIGNAGE**

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Michael Berns stated that in the June 12, 2012, the Planning Board approved general signage for that entire strip of businesses. All signage would be identical with respect to the shape, size and color. In addition, any canopy would be of the same fabric and color.

Bruce Shearer suggested that the applicant go back to Sinatra (the owner) to make sure that the material is the same.

Owner is trying to open in two weeks.

Michael Foster suggested a temporary banner might be needed.

Colleen Donovan stated that it would be less expensive to just take off the awning frame than to put up a new black canopy.

Robert Ruml stated that the window signs couldn't be approved without noting the size of smaller window. That would determine maximum size. He noted that the property is in the restricted business area and that there needs to be conformity. He also noted that there can be No LED lights and that the façade needs to be repaired. He thinks that the applicant will need to re-submit to make sure graphics, font, and material match.

Michael Foster moved to approve the application with the following conditions:

1. The façade is to be repaired by the property owner, subject to the Building Inspector's review and:
2. Wall Sign must be approved by the Building Inspector to ensure that it complies with respect to material, graphics, size and is uniform with the other signs in that "strip" of businesses.
3. If the awning frame stays, the material and color is the same or equal to as the existing, ie: black and no graphics. In the alternative, the frame can be removed entirely with no canopy.
4. Window Signs, including any on the door are in compliance with the twenty-five percent rule. This, too will be determined by the Building Inspector.

Seconded by Bruce Shearer, and approved by all members in attendance.

**3107 DELAWARE AVENUE – WICKED GLASS SMOKESHOP SIGNAGE**

The applicant is not present.

Michael Foster moves to table the application for when the applicant is present.

Seconded by Colleen Donovan, and approved by all members in attendance.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Kathleen P. Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer