

**ACTION MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE
HELD ON JULY 3, 2013**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Moldafsky called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.
- II. **ROLL:** Present were Commissioners Hoopes, Roberts, Senior Planner Buss and Planners Gjolme and Clarke. Commissioners Tobias and Vavoulis were absent.
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Flag Salute was recited.
- IV. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** There were no comments.
- V. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
 - A. Minutes - June 20, 2013 meeting. Approved as submitted. Unanimous 3-0.
- VI. **CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS:** There were none.
- VII. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**
 - A. **Design Review 13-07;** Flintridge Proper; 464 Foothill Blvd.; new wall sign.

Planner Gjolme gave an overview of the request, noting the intricate design and quality of the sign, which consisted of a rustic wooden panel and distinct illuminated copy.

Commissioner Roberts noted that it was a complicated and intricate sign and initially questioned whether it would work as intended. After staff's review, he felt the sign would have the desired effect and appreciated the artistry of it.

Commissioner Hoopes commented that a vertical portion of the cornice molding is shown on the plans but is not actually on the building. It did not affect his positive opinion of the sign.

Planner Gjolme noted that the applicant was not in attendance to comment on the molding, but felt restoration was likely intended as part of the project.

Commissioner Roberts inquired about a gooseneck lighting fixture shown above the sign. He thought it appeared awkward and superfluous.

Planner Gjolme asked if the Commission preferred elimination of the gooseneck fixture or assurance that it would not be functional.

Senior Planner Buss commented that conditions of approval could be included to address the cornice molding and gooseneck fixture since the Commission's purview includes façade items.

M/S/C Roberts/Hoopes to approve the sign as submitted subject to; 1) vertical continuation of the cornice molding to the left of the sign to connect the two existing horizontal moldings and; 2) removal of the gooseneck fixture shown on the plans. Unanimous 3-0.

Commissioner Roberts commented on the lack of landscaping in the front planters and asked if something could be done in conjunction with the sign's approval.

Senior Planner Buss noted that landscaping was likely approved as part of the center's remodel a few years back and could be restored through the property maintenance process.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS: There was no other business.

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS: There were no comments.

X. COMMENTS FROM STAFF:

Senior Planner Buss mentioned that a Design Commissioner was needed for the drive-through ad-hoc subcommittee. The Commission noted that Commissioner Tobias was interested. He was appointed accordingly.

Planner Gjolme confirmed the Commissioners availability for the July 18th meeting, when hoped to have a draft version of the reader-board ordinance ready for review.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 a.m.