

**ACTION MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DESIGN COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2017**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Moldafsky called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.
- II. ROLL:** Present were Commissioners Balcazar, Hoopes and King. Commissioner Fuelling arrived at 7:33 a.m.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** the Flag Salute was recited.
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** there were no comments.
- V. CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- A. **Minutes:** 4-20-2017 Design Commission Meeting M/S/C King/Hoopes to approve the minutes as submitted. Approved 5-0.
- VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**
- A. **Design Review 17-10;** Flintridge Tailoring; 954 Foothill Blvd.: new wall sign and re-facing/reuse of existing pole sign.

Planner Gjolme gave a presentation in accordance with the staff memo, noting the request to relocate a previously approved wall sign and reface an existing pole sign. The business has relocated to the east and the previously approved wall sign has been moved and installed above the entry. Plan check and permits will be needed but the subject sign continues to be highly regarded by staff and no issues are apparent. Three options for refacing the pole sign were presented and staff favored a modified version combining the design elements of Options 2 and 3. This was displayed for the Commission via PowerPoint. Approval to this effect was recommended by staff.

Commissioner King confirmed that the "Tailoring" copy was white, not pink as shown on the plans.

Chairman Moldafsky noted design and font differences in staff's modified recommendation for the pole sign panels.

Planner Gjolme explained that staff's alternative is intended to show color and basic proportion. It is illustrative and not intended to represent a precise design alternative.

Vice-Chairman Hoopes confirmed that the pole sign is not internally illuminated.

Planner Gjolme noted that external illumination is provided by small spot lights on the building.

Chairman Moldafsky opened the public hearing.

Applicant Arbi Manukian was available to answer any questions.

Emil Balthazar, business co-owner, was also available to discuss the request.

Commissioner Fuelling noted that the ledge sign and pole sign font styles were different. He confirmed that the colors used for the signs would be consistent.

Commissioner Balcazar asked about the size of the figure next to the "Flintridge" copy.

Mr. Manukian responded approximately 3-4 inches in height.

Vice Chairman Hoopes noted that the "Tailoring" copy in Option 3 has less of a flared curvature at the ends and is easier to read. He felt this copy worked best for the pole sign panels.

Commissioner Balcazar agreed and also favored the scalloped corners and neutral background color as recommended by staff.

M/S/C Fuelling/Balcazar to approve the signs with matching red and white colors, the font style and size of the "Tailoring" copy as shown in Option 3, scalloped corners and an off-white field color for the pole sign panels. Approved 5-0.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS: there was no other business.

VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner King stated that unauthorized signs may have been installed in the tenant space previously occupied by Bikram Yoga.

Planner Gjolme responded that no new sign approvals had been granted for the location and that code enforcement would look into the matter.

Commissioner Balcazar stated that the 76 station's monument sign includes a white field/panel for the 7-11 logo, contrasting with the gray that was approved.

IX. COMMENTS FROM STAFF:

Director Stanley stated that several larger projects would be coming to the Design Commission in the coming months including Flintridge Prep, Sacred Heart Academy, etc.

Commissioner King asked about the status of the DVSP Streetscape Manual.

Planner Gjolme responded that Public Works has been reviewing the document and that the Department heads will need to meet prior to bringing the document to the City Council for their review.

Planner Gjolme updated the Commission on Target's preliminary proposal and a monument sign previously approved for Arco. The entirety of the planter and monument sign are within the street Right-of-way and will have to be relocated. The item may come back to the Commission for further review or be handled by staff depending on the extent of the changes.

X. ADJOURNMENT: M/S/C Fuelling/King to adjourn at 8:10 a.m. Unanimous 5-0.