Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

Meeting Date: April 10th, 2024 Case #: HPC-16-24

Site Address: Parcel ID: Applicant: Owner:	1306 Queen City Ave 31-05-22-4-027-003.000 Cara Macareno TBG II LLC & Corder Real Estate Inc
Proposed Work:	Petition for a Certificate of Appropriateness for signage on the primary structure located at 1306 Queen City Ave in the Druid City
Current Zoning:	Historic District. BN-H
Historic District: Architectural Style:	Druid City N/A
Year Built:	1950
Contributing:	Yes
Historic Survey:	Druid City Historic Survey

Resource 239. 1306 Queen City Avenue. Avery's Super Market-Sam Jackson's. Circa 1950. One story, brick commercial building with flat composition roof, parapet, cupola with pyramidal roof and weathervane, rectangular base with open rail balustrade, signage, standing seam metal wrap around awning, central single panel and light double leaf door, flanking plate glass windows. C

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT:

The petitioner proposes to replace two existing blade signs. The signs are painted aluminum and will be mounted using the existing brackets. The signs are for a new business in the existing building.

Staff Analysis:

Metal is considered an appropriate sign material. The size of the sign conforms with the building/wall sign standards in the zoning ordinance.

APPLICABLE DESIGN GUIDELINES:

Signs

- Design and install all signs to a size and scale and of types that conform to the historic context of the district and its structures and in a manner to focus only on the intended audience.
- Retain and preserve original signs that contribute to the overall historic character of the building or district.
- Introduce new signage that is compatible in material, size, scale and character with the building or the district. Design signage to enhance the architectural character of a building.
- If desired install small identification signs and historic plaques for residential buildings so that no architectural features or details are obscured or damaged.
- Construct new signs of traditional sign materials:

Examples of Appropriate Materials:

Examples of Inappropriate Materials:

Internally illuminated signs

Plastic

Vinyl sign structure or vinyl awning

- Stone
- Brick
- Vinyl lettering and/or sign face
- Wrought iron or metal
- Canvas awning
- Wood
- Stucco
- High Density Urethane (HDU) sign board (or equivalent) resembling wood or metal for lettering or logo
- Install freestanding signs in appropriate locations on low standards or grown bases. Screening the base of ground signs with plantings to enhance its appearance is required.
- Mount flush signboards in appropriate locations on façades so that no architectural details or features are obscured or damaged. On masonry buildings, holes for fasteners should be placed in the mortar joints, not the masonry units.

- Light signs in a manner compatible within the historic character and the pedestrian scale of the historic district.
- For commercial and institutional buildings, design signs to be integral to the overall building façade. Avoid covering a large portion of the façade, front yard, or any significant architectural features with signage.
- Temporary signs, including sales adverting, and real estate signs should be located so as not to damage or obscure significant architectural features, and shall be removed upon completion of work, sale, campaign, etc. The maximum number of allowable signs shall be one per street frontage.
- Signs directing users to an accessible entrance or parking space should be installed to avoid damaging or obscuring significant architectural features, while conforming to Accessibility Standards (ADAAG).



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATION

Last Updated, August 2023

Please complete all of the following fields:

Location of Property and Historic District

Address:_1306 Queen City Ave STE C-		Hist	toric District:	Druid City		
	Property	Owner				
Name: Amy Jo's Lifestyle Boutique	que Phone: 205-799-6408			Email: ajoakins@mac.com		
Address: 556 Vicksburg Dr Tuscaloosa, AL			Zip Code: 35406			
	Applicant (if differ	ent from owner)	-			
Name: Cara Macareno	Phone: 205-345-5242	Phone: 205-345-5242 x129		Email: cmacareno@knightsign.com		
	Contractor o	r Architect				
Name: Knight Sign Industries, Inc	_ Phone: 205-345-5242	2 ×129	Email: cma	careno@knights	sign.com	
The Applicant requests	the following item(s)	from the Histori	ic Preservati	on Commissi	on:	
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New Construction or Addition(s) \$50	· · · ·				
✔ Signage \$25						
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Realty tenant, Amy Jo's Lifesty	le Boutique. Existing	mounting brac	ckets will be	used.		
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Dimensioned site plans showing all bui additions, drives, sidewalks, fences, ext		nensioned elevation: exterior design featu				
large trees, landscaping, and other site		: than %" = 10'-0". V				
locations, drawn to scale no less than a	concern, include elevations of neighboring buildings.					

PLEASE SUBMIT AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THIS APPLICATION AND ANY NECESSARY SUPPORTING MATERIALS VIA E-MAIL TO HPC@TUSCALOOSA.COM

Office of Urban Development: **Planning Division**

2201 University Boulevard, Annex III, 3rd Floor Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Provide a detailed description of the proposed materials. Supporting documentation such as photographs, brochures, screenshots, invoices, material spec sheets, or similar items that clearly show the existing and proposed materials are required along with this application. Staff reserves the right to request for additional information as deemed necessary.

The new sign materials are as follows:

painted aluminum panel with raised, painted sintra copy.

Important Items to Note:

- You will receive confirmation from City staff via e-mail once your application is received. Unless expressly waived by City staff, you must submit a digital copy of your application to secure a place on the docket.
- A filing fee related to the specific request (reference page one of this application) is required to be submitted along with this application. Check is preferred, but an invoice can be sent upon request.
- In-person attendance at the HPC meeting is mandatory for the petitioner.
- Any request which will not be represented by the property owner at the public hearing must be accompanied by a notarized designation of agent affidavit.

Certification of Applicant

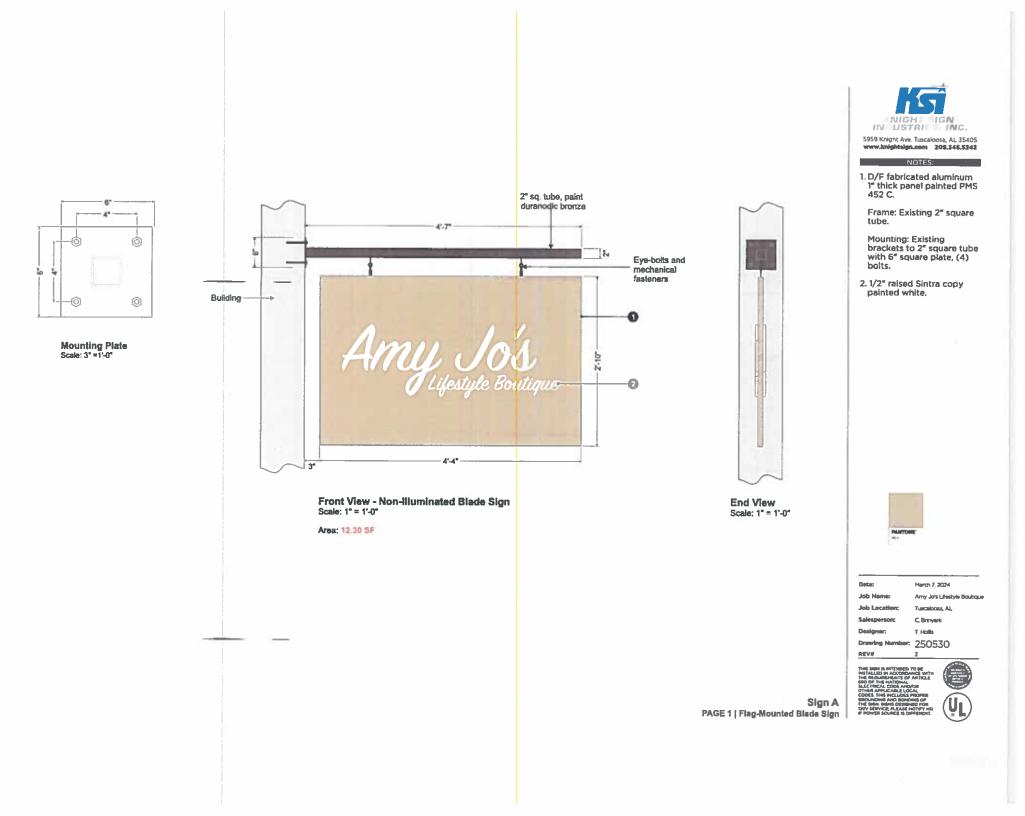
I hereby certify that I have read and examined this application and know the same to be true and correct. I also acknowledge that if the Commission determines that any of the foregoing information is not accurate, my application may be denied because it contained false or otherwise incorrect information. Staff reserves the right to request additional information as deemed neccessary. This application will not be accepted until all required information is provided.

It is my understanding that a Certificate of Appropriateness shall become void unless construction is commenced within six (6) months of the date of issuance. I also understand a building permit issued by the City of Tuscaloosa is required for all applicable work being completed in historic districts.

Finally, it is my understanding that pending Commission approval, I am bound to follow the plans submitted with this application. Should there be any changes to the approved plans, I understand that those changes must be reviewed by City staff prior to any work associated with such changes occurring.

Applicant: <u>Cara Macareno</u>

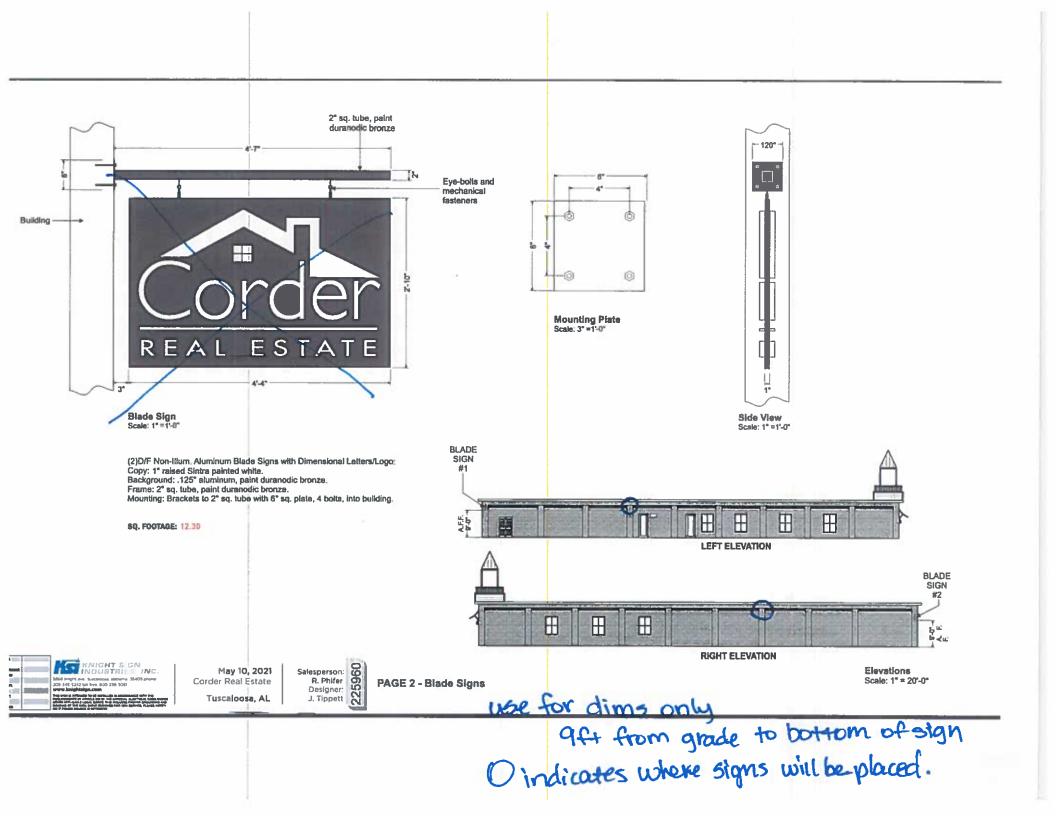
Date: 03/20/2024



9ft from grade to bottom of sign









1306 Queen City Avenue

1 inch = 83 feet 0 40 80 120 160 Feet N





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