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Winnetka Design Review Board /Sign Board of Appeals
Regular Meeting

October 20, 2016- 7:00 pm

The Winnetka Design Review Board will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2016 in the classroom at the Winnetka Police Department, 410 Green Bay Road, Winnetka, Illinois, at 7:00 pm

AGENDA

1. Adoption of meeting minutes
    a. July 21, 2016 regular meeting minutes
    b. September 1, 2016 special meeting minutes
    c. September 15, 2016 regular meeting minutes

2. **521 Birch Street – Winnetka Park District / Dwyer Park Special Use Permit** (Continued from previous meeting): Comment to Village Council regarding modifications to application for proposed park renovations;

3. **910 Green Bay Road- My Eye Dr. & Bella Blue Bridal**: Consideration of Certificate of Appropriateness for two (2) proposed awnings;

4. **523 Chestnut Street – Results 22 Weight Loss Center**: Consideration of Certificate of Appropriateness for proposed awning;

5. Other business.

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Winnetka Design Review Board/Sign Board of Appeals
July 21, 2016

Members Present:	Kirk Albinson, Acting Chairman Brooke Kelly Michael Klaskin Peggy Stanley
Members Absent:	Bob Dearborn Paul Konstant John Swierk
Village Staff:	Brian Norkus, Assistant Director of Community Development

Call to Order:

Chairman Albinson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Chairman Albinson asked if there were any comments or corrections to be made to the June 16, 2016 meeting minutes. No comments were made.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the June 16, 2016 meeting minutes. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously passed.

910 Green Bay Road (My Eye Doctor) – Pin Mounted Wall Sign,
Re-Face Existing Blade Sign and New Vinyl Glass Door Signage

Karen Dodge introduced herself to the Board as a representing South Water Signs and stated that the request related to the installation of three signs at this location. She stated that they would like to install a 9.7 square foot pin mounted sign which would be located 14 feet 6 inches above grade. Ms. Dodge also stated that they would like to reface the existing non-illuminated blade sign which is 4 square feet at the entrance to the storefront. She stated that lastly, they would like to install 2 square feet of vinyl lettering at the entrance door reading "My Eye Doctor" with the doctors' names.

Mr. Klaskin asked if the doctor is leaving or is the location being re-branded as My Eye Doctor.

Ms. Dodge responded that Spex locations have been acquired by My Eye Doctor.

Ms. Kelly stated that the blade sign is not a problem. She stated that she has concern about adding the new pin mounted sign above the storefront on the brick.

Chairman Albinson asked if there would be any lighting.

Ms. Dodge confirmed that there would be no lighting.

Ms. Kelly asked if everything else would remain the same.

Ms. Dodge confirmed that is correct.

Mr. Klaskin asked if any consideration had been given to replacing existing window graphics as used by Spex, versus where on the building façade.

Ms. Dodge stated that was not a preferred option.

Chairman Albinson asked if there were any guidelines with regard to placement of signage on a glass door.

Mr. Norkus stated that the design guidelines call for copy on an entrance door to not cover more than 50% of the area of the glass.

Mr. Klaskin stated that with regard to the way that the door is situated, it is perpendicular to the street and that you are not going to see it. He then stated that he did not have a problem with the door or the blade sign but that he is not wild about the pin mounted sign in the mortar. Mr. Klaskin then stated that this has come up before in the past and that the previous request also included an awning.

Ms. Stanley stated that Love's Yogurt had a pin mounted sign and awning.

Chairman Albinson stated that the previous discussion had been centered around multiple tenants in one building to the extent of what building signage is appropriate and at what location. He then asked if they knew how many other commercial tenants are in the building.

Mr. Norkus responded that the photograph showed the other ground floor tenant to the north.

Chairman Albinson then asked if the other space is occupied.

Mr. Norkus stated that there is a bridal store in that location. He also stated that the bridal shop utilizes a blade sign and window signage.

Ms. Kelly asked the applicant why would they want to do a pin mounted sign which would be located so high on the building. She commented that it would be better off in the window.

Chairman Albinson stated that he agreed with Ms. Kelly's suggestion and asked if there was precedent with regard to the other store fronts.

Chairman Albinson then asked if they had any other building with pin mounted signage or applied signage.

Mr. Norkus stated that one example of an individual letter sign on Green Bay Road related to a small shoe repair place with the huge signage. He also stated that there is wall signage but that they have been put on a back end panel or frame.

Chairman Albinson stated that if they do not have any other pin mounted signage. He then referred to State Farm and Rare Finds.

Ms. Kelly asked how big are the letters.

Mr. Norkus informed the Board that they would be 14 inches high. He also stated that the design guidelines call for a maximum letter height of 14 inches.

Ms. Stanley asked if there is some design guideline with regard to vinyl.

Mr. Norkus stated that the design guidelines call for a material that is of wood, metal or glass. He then referred to aluminum letters which may be powder coated.

Chairman Albinson stated that he is hearing that a collective concern is a pin mounted sign and that there would be one thing if there was precedent on the block and that what is there is old. He stated that the Board has accepted and that this kind of complies with the design guidelines and referred to Green Bay Road as one of the nicer looking streets in town. Chairman Albinson stated that if everyone started doing that, it would take away.

Ms. Kelly stated that it would also open up a can of worms.

Mr. Klaskin asked who is the tenant on the second floor.

Mr. Norkus responded that the second floor is office space, which is identified with lettering on the entry door at sidewalk level.

Chairman Albinson questioned the building at 950 Green Bay with respect to the signage needs for tenants on both the ground floor and upper floor.

Mr. Klaskin stated that they wanted it on the awning and in the window and that the question was how would the second floor tenant react and that it would look like it was for a second floor tenant.

Chairman Albinson asked what did they end up allowing on that façade.

Mr. Norkus stated that Orange Leaf was identified by an awning sign and window graphics, and that the spandrel panel on half of the building had been used to identify the second story tenant.

Ms. Kelly asked if all of the newer signage on the street had been awning signage.

Mr. Norkus stated that Mrs. Greens had awning and window signage, and that Jos. A. Bank may have had pin mounted sign mounted above the storefront.

Mr. Klaskin also stated that they discussed the BMO Harris sign.

Chairman Albinson stated that they do not want to create an impression that they are deviating from what is allowed but that they do not care for the pin mounted sign and commented that it would detract from the aesthetic.

Ms. Kelly stated that she agreed with Chairman Albinson's comments and referred to the other blade signage and window signage.

Mr. Klaskin asked if there is any compromise they can reach and whether the tenant would consider lowering the signage to the spandrel to the upper portion of the window. He also asked if they are concerned with it not being visible with vehicles parking in front.

Ms. Dodge asked if the Board is concerned with regard to illumination.

Chairman Albinson stated that the concern is relating to running into a precedent and that they have had a couple of other instances where this has come up.

Mr. Klaskin then referred to a building which is peppered with multi-colored signs and that it takes away from the aesthetic of the building which is what they are trying to preserve. He then referred Chairman Albinson's comment with regard to the precedent being set with window signage, blade signage and an awning. Mr. Klaskin stated that they are not the first tenant who has expressed concern with regard to their signage not being visible around and over vehicles. He stated that they want to keep the same style here and on Lincoln Avenue and Hubbard Woods.

Ms. Dodge asked the Board what if they were to have a sign which is hanging in the window with illumination.

Mr. Klaskin stated that they cannot illuminate a sign from inside.

Ms. Kelly stated that they are going to want maintain the cleanness of the glass and also the boutique quality of a small town eyeglass shop. She stated that she knew people who went to the applicant and that they could otherwise go to a mall if they wanted the illuminated sign. Ms. Kelly stated that people will know that is there.

Mr. Klaskin asked Ms. Dodge if there would be new management and whether there would be new operators of the store.

Ms. Dodge responded that she is not sure.

Mr. Klaskin stated that if it is the existing Spex staff and they are operating under a new brand, they might be amenable to people knowing that they are there and that they would just be changing their logo. He then stated that if there are new operators, they may not know who all knew where the location was and that would be different.

Ms. Kelly reiterated that people would know they are there and that a huge sign would detract from the clientele.

Chairman Albinson stated that the Board is coming up with a recommendation of acceptance of the petition with the exception of the pin mounted sign and instead to have a window applied sign. He also stated that to stipulate the design guidelines and its placement on the window where in the past, they have elected to do it along the center line of the window or at the upper end of the bottom half of the window which is the precedent they have applied on previous petitions.

Mr. Norkus stated that the Board's condition on recent window signs at 710 Oak specified that graphics be aligned with the top of the graphic meeting the centerline of the window.

Chairman Albinson clarified the location of the signage on the window for the applicant.

Mr. Norkus asked the Board if they would prefer for the applicant to come back or if he would be allowed to provide an administrative review.

Ms. Stanley suggested that the applicant come back to the Board. She added that placement may be an issue and that there would be a little more flexibility in her mind if the copy is so much smaller that it would fit on one pane of glass. Ms. Stanley also questioned what would happen if it remained the same.

Mr. Klaskin stated that the applicant would scale it to go in the center pane of glass.

Chairman Albinson stated that they do have logo guidelines in terms of applied lettering or logos or surface area on glazing.

Mr. Norkus stated that it is 10% of the glass area and that it is to be applied to the interior of the glass. He also stated that the 10% figure related to the piece of glass as opposed to all three panes.

Chairman Albinson agreed that the applicant should come back to the Board. He also stated that there are actually six pieces of glass.

Ms. Stanley stated that they would be able to tell if it looks right once they get a plan.

Chairman Albinson then moved that the Board make the recommendation to approve the petition with the exception that the pin mounted sign not be allowed and that the petitioner return if they

want signage on the storefront to be a glazing applied to comply with Village guidelines and to return for the Board's approval.

Ms. Kelly seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

AYES: Albinson, Kelly, Klaskin, Stanley
NAYS: None

Chairman Albinson explained the approval of the petition in detail to the applicant.

Mr. Norkus stated that he would send the applicant a graphic.

Chairman Albinson reiterated the Board's concern with regard to pin mounted sign on the building.

Mr. Norkus also stated that he would clarify some of the size limitations with the applicant.

710 Oak Street (Dedication Health) – New Projecting Blade Sign

The petitioner was not present.

Mr. Norkus stated that the Board could review the application if they were so inclined without the petitioner present.

Chairman Albinson stated that the petition is for a new projecting blade sign. He asked if there is an elevation drawing.

Mr. Norkus identified it as illustration no. 11-4 and referred to the side elevation where you can see that it is above the second floor windows by a few inches.

Chairman Albinson asked if there was anything in the guidelines about maximum height of such signs.

Mr. Norkus stated design guidelines and sign codes speak to the minimum which is 8 feet, which was adopted more of a functional requirement than aesthetic, so that snow removal equipment doesn't damage it. He stated that over the years the 8' minimum has become a standard of sorts.

Ms. Stanley commented that the proposal seemed awfully high.

Mr. Norkus explained that the height appeared to be to avoid the awnings.

Ms. Stanley suggested that it can be put on the side.

Chairman Albinson asked if there is any other blade signage on the building.

Mr. Norkus responded that there is not. He stated that the description in the written application identified its location as being on the right side of the door.

Chairman Albinson stated the Board can make a recommendation that the Board approve the blade sign but that the location would be on the right side of the front elevation centered on the brick and that the bottom of the blade sign should meet the Village minimum requirements.

Ms. Stanley stated that 8 feet would be at the bottom of the awning.

Chairman Albinson stated that the drawings show the awning at 8 feet 6 inches and that there was some discussion about whether there is something going on in that location. He then stated that if they keep it to the Village minimum requirement.

Ms. Kelly referred to whether it would be visible when coming from the other direction.

Mr. Norkus stated that it may be because that area is residential in character which may not be a bad thing.

Ms. Stanley moved to approve the blade sign centered on the right hand brick column with the height to comply with the Village guidelines at 8 feet. Mr. Klaskin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Albinson, Kelly, Klaskin, Stanley
NAYS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Antionette Johnson

Winnetka Design Review Board/Sign Board of Appeals
September 1, 2016

Members Present:	John Swierk Kirk Albinson Brooke Kelly Peggy Stanley
Members Absent:	Bob Dearborn Michael Klaskin Paul Konstant
Village Staff:	Brian Norkus, Assistant Director of Community Development

Call to Order:

Chairman Albinson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

There were no meeting minutes to adopt.

787 Elm Street (Athene) – proposed replacement awning and window sign

Ashley Quicksilver introduced herself as one of the owners of the new business, which she explained would be a women's fashion and accessory store.

Mr. Albinson explained that he is acquainted with the applicant but that his acquaintance does affect is judgement of the application and would not present a conflict.

Mr. Norkus explained that the applicants are proposing a very modest window graphic at the lower left hand corner of the storefront, together with the removal of the existing green awning and frame, and replacement with a new rigid frame awning with black fabric. He explained that it was his understanding that the desire to replace the awning frame has to do with the desire to have a taut valance versus the existing loose hanging valance.

Mr. Norkus explained that the building houses multiple tenants, and noted that the design guidelines recommend that awnings on such buildings be used as a unifying design element across multiple storefronts, and that the goal is for awnings to have the same dimensions and colors.

Ms. Stanley asked if any graphics were proposed for the awning.

Ms. Quicksilver stated that the awning would not have any copy.

Chairman Swierk stated that when looking at the adjacent awnings at Ellen's, and with the lack

of graphics on the currently proposed awning, that black might be better by setting it off somewhat from the green color of the adjacent store.

Mr. Norkus explained that the dimensions for the proposed awning are the same as the dimensions of the existing awning, and as such will match the adjacent storefront.

Ms. Kelly questioned if the awning would be mounted in the same manner.

It was determined that the width of the awning is slightly narrower and will be inset into storefront recess as current.

Chairman Swierk questioned the Board as to whether the Board has a problem with the black awning fabric.

Mr. Albinson stated that between the two colors, black is a better color.

Chairman Swierk questioned the condition of the two green awnings and whether Ellen's would be required to use black to match. He asked the applicant was trying to differentiate herself from Ellen's.

Ms. Quicksilver stated that she would love if the other awnings were also black, and it would not be a problem from her perspective.

Mr. Albinson stated that it would be great if we could request the owner of the building replace the other two awnings with black to match.

Mr. Norkus stated that the Board would not have much ability to compel the change to be made, but that he could have a discussion with the building owner to relay the suggestion.

Ms. Kelly stated that the different color doesn't present much of a problem to her, stating that the color helps convey a different storefront aesthetic, and stated that the color isn't wildly off in terms of compatibility such as if it were red.

Mr. Albinson stated that the black is an improvement.

Ms. Stanley stated that she is generally a "rule follower", but she thinks the black looks great in this instance; as long as it matches in profile the other awnings.

Mr. Albinson stated that the applicant's darker window frames and planter boxes might be an additional factor justifying the black awning.

It was noted for the record that in the future when the adjacent tenant replaces their awning that the Board may want to require that awnings be done in black.

It was agreed that staff would contact the building owner to discuss the possibility of changing

the other two awnings to be black.

A motion was made by Mr. Albinson, seconded by Ms. Kelly, to approve the proposed awning and window graphic as presented, subject to the building owner being contacted to consider changing the other two green awnings to black, and that the awning match the adjacent awnings in profile.

A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

AYES: Albinson, Kelly, Stanley, Swierk
NAYS: None

910 Green Bay Road (My Eye Doctor) – Pin Mounted Wall Sign,
Re-Face Existing Blade Sign and New Vinyl Glass Door Signage (continued)

Mr. Norkus noted that the applicant was unable to attend the special meeting, explaining that the meeting was scheduled rather quickly to account for the cancelled August meeting. He explained that the applicant has supplied revised plans which substitute complying window graphics for the previously proposed pin mounted wall sign.

Mr. Norkus stated that the plan essentially carries out the Board's recommendation from the July meeting, where the pin mounted sign was not viewed favorably. He noted that one item to call attention to was to that the proposed window graphics are noted as being applied to the exterior face of the window, and suggested that the Board may wish to be consistent with other applications and require that the vinyl film be applied to the inside surface.

Board members discussed the mounting height of the window graphics relative to the centerline of the window, and noted that the proposal shows the line of copy centered on the window, versus located below the centerline. It was agreed that the graphic should be lowered slightly more than 4" so that that top of the graphic met the centerline of the window.

A motion was made by Mr. Albinson, seconded by Ms. Stanley, to approve the proposed window graphic, subject to the graphic being lowered by approximately 4 inches so that the top of the graphic meet the window centerline.

A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

AYES: Albinson, Kelly, Stanley, Swierk
NAYS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Brian Norkus, recording secretary

Winnetka Design Review Board/Sign Board of Appeals
September 15, 2016

Members Present:	John Swierk, Chairman Bob Dearborn Michael Klaskin Paul Konstant
Members Absent:	Kirk Albinson Brooke Kelly Peggy Stanley
Village Staff:	Brian Norkus, Assistant Director of Community Development

Call to Order:

Chairman Swierk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Swierk stated that the Board would now consider the adoption of the meeting minutes from July 21, 2016. He asked if there were any questions or comments. No comments were made at this time. Chairman Swierk then asked for a motion.

A motion was made by Mr. Dearborn and seconded by Mr. Klaskin to approve the July 21, 2016 meeting minutes.

Chairman Swierk stated that the next agenda item related to the approval of the September 21, 2016 meeting minutes. He then asked for a motion.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the September 21, 2016 meeting minutes.

521 Birch Street - Comment To Village Council Regarding Special Use Permit Application By Winnetka Park District For The Proposed Park Renovations.

Robert Smith introduced himself to the Board as the Executive Director of the Winnetka Park District along with John Muno, a member of their senior management team and a member of the planning team, architect Rick Schram and Park Superintendent, Costa Kutulas. He informed the Board that what they would be presenting is part of the Dwyer Park master plan and that it is part of their long range project capital improvement plan which has been on their docket for approximately 7 years and that they have been deferring it for about 5 years for different projects which became a priority. Mr. Smith also referred to the post office site which has been coming to a good level of planning and that they felt that it was now time to take on Dwyer Park.

Mr. Smith stated that their Board gave their planning team the directive of looking at the four corners of the site in terms of what it could possibly be and referred to the master plan which was similar at Hubbard Woods Park. He then stated that when they first started setting the project into the cue, they just considered upgrading the playground. Mr. Smith informed the Board that they did not have the grand plan in their budget to do more. He stated that once they received the marching orders from the Board to begin the public engagement process with a complete

marketing program for this process, they held several onsite meetings and several open houses and that they went through several iterations and a lot of review. Mr. Smith added that they also held focus groups and had discussions with the Chamber of Commerce, and that they heard comments from the public meetings, surveys, etc. He stated that the Board would see the culmination of what came out of that engagement.

Mr. Smith went on to state that their Board approved the plan in July 2016 and gave them the permission to continue with regard to the special use permit.

Costa Kutulas began by stating that the Board should have the center view port packet (?) which has a brief summary and narrative in terms of what the plan of attack was as to what they plan to do with the park site, along with renderings and additional site plans as far as showing what the adjacent properties are, the current site amenities and the current presentation for the improvements to the park site. He stated that he would first like to walk through the presentation and that he would point out the items which are key for this group as far as questions or for what they would like input on. Mr. Kutulas indicated that the Board could stop and ask questions along the way if they preferred or they could wait until the end of the presentation and ask questions.

Mr. Kutulas first referred the Board to an illustration of Dwyer Park as it existed along with the playground which is centrally located on the property due to the gradient change throughout. He also identified the butterfly garden to the far north of the site and the central path which connects from the north to the playground. Mr. Kutulas stated that to the far south of the site, there is a meditation garden as well and a few picnic tables in between and which he described as a very simple park design.

Mr. Kutulas stated that they took to where they were instructed from their Board which is to look beyond the playground replacement and do a full park design of the four corners and master plan for the park which is what they planned to present to this Board in terms of what they are looking to do. Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that the plan is rendered as a base point of an option for a bid and that it has options 1, 2 and 3 due to cost. He noted that they budgeted for the plan in the amount of $500,000 for the replacement of the playground and some of the sitescapes for that. Mr. Kutulas then stated that with the development of turning it into a master plan, the price was driven beyond what they had budgeted and beyond what their Park Board would allow them to do. He stated that in terms of ala carte, they devised options 1, 2 and 3 which he would walk the Board through. Mr. Kutulas then informed the Board that once they go through the process and what their Board would like for them to do once they go out for formal bid. He noted that the project that is being presented to the Board is holistic and included everything but that the determination of what might happen in actuality might be in phases and further phase out designs over the next few years as funds become available.

Mr. Kutulas then stated that he would first discuss the base bid option which is the first point of attack and would take on the playground located at the north end of the park and that it would be enlarged by approximately 50%, a lot of which is due to the fall zones in connection with the equipment on the site. He stated that the one big thing that they have been asked and told emphatically is to include more swings since the children do not like to wait. Mr. Kutulas

identified swings as the biggest taker of the use zones for that. He stated that the whole north quarter of the site would be dedicated for that use in order to give the Board some perspective.

Mr. Kutulas also stated that along with the playground renovations, they did change some of the hardscapes and that some benches have been improved. He then identified the new sidewalks to the north and to the south and that there would be a ribbon curve that comes along with the walk and which would include picnic tables and a sidewalk walking through the cut-through. Mr. Kutulas then stated that there would be a gazebo along with the hardscape around it and that it would be built out into the second option of work.

Mr. Kutulas stated that there would have to be some trees which would have to be removed because of that and identified trees throughout the site which would be removed. He noted that they would be replaced per caliper inch throughout the park in terms of what would be taken out in being mindful of the forestry of the park.

Mr. Kutulas went on to state that there would be a lateral sidewalk which would connect the property from the north to the south half. He stated that they planned to take out the brick pavers and put in a concrete sidewalk throughout the park as part of the base option along with the site line. Mr. Kutulas also stated that there would be trash receptacles adjacent to that which represented the base option.

Mr. Kutulas stated that from there, they move into option 1 which is an extension of the playground facility of the playground itself. He then stated that they are calling out a patio area and terrace steps through that, along with the gazebo, more picnic tables and possibly a ping pong table. Mr. Kutulas stated that the terrace steps and the venue presented here would appear like a natural lawn and Ravinia type of setting where they could hold concerts, special events and engage the town as they have done with Hubbard Woods. He noted that a lot of design cues that the Board would see with this park design are things that have been implemented and have been very successful at the Hubbard Woods Park and embraces the community.

Mr. Kutulas stated that option 2 represented the extension of the butterfly garden from the Garden Club of Winnetka and connecting it from where it currently stopped by the park sign to the east to the edge of the sidewalk. He then stated that along with that, they would do a small stone seat wall with a limestone cap with the potential of the center section having some sort of sculpture or art piece of central interest. Mr. Kutulas suggested that something could be donated such as a bronze statue as had been done at Hubbard Woods Park and other sites. He then stated that there would be crushed stone granite through there.

Mr. Kutulas then stated that they would mirror that same concept as option 3 and that it would not necessarily be a butterfly garden since this area did not get as much sun but connecting with crushed granite and maintaining what was previously put there for the meditation garden but reinventing it and keeping the sculpture which is there to the south in terms of the feel and look of what that is with another seat wall in an area which he identified for the Board. He also stated that it included putting in some extras that were brought to their attention that the tweens of Winnetka would like and enjoy such as the Gaga pit and backboards.

Mr. Kutulas identified the presentation as the grand plan as it sits and noted that through the process, they have been in constant dialog with the site development east of the location and making sure that they understand that there are going to be potential linkages that come in and drive this with regard to how the development goes to the east. He then identified potential walkways in an area for the Board and the connection of downtown and keeping in consideration with what the Bennett plan was back in the day. Mr. Kutulas noted that the car line of the gazebo would like up with the line of that and which is dependent on the design and the architecture that is put forth by the developer of the other site and that they considered the corridor which cuts through town and the gazebo and Dwyer Park being the western focal edge of that. Mr. Kutulas then asked the Board if they had any questions.

Chairman Swierk asked with regard to the meditation garden at the bottom if that was previously dedicated or provided by someone.

Mr. Kutulas responded that was the Winnetka Garden Guild and that they would be reinventing and recapturing the statue that is there. He informed the Board that they discussed it with them and that they have had positive dialog with them.

Mr. Dearborn asked if the options were ordered in number of cost.

Mr. Kutulas stated that they did not have a per se order but that they did it based on what they felt was best suited for the plan. He stated that they felt that option 1 would be the next move with regard to the dollars to be spent and the best choice followed by options 2 and 3. Mr. Kutulas added that it would be up to their Park Board to dictate to them what they would like to move forward with as far as...

Mr. Klaskin commented that he felt that they had them optioned correctly since it would make sense to do everything in the middle in one fell swoop and then Elm Street is basically a comer corridor with more traffic. He asked if there was a priority cost-wise.

Mr. Kutulas responded that this is the vision of the design team and that it goes base bid then options 1, 2 and 3.

Mr. Klaskin asked if there is a rendering of the proposed gazebo.

Mr. Kutulas confirmed that there is and that he would now move into the next part of the presentation. He stated that as part of the full site design, there are key amenities that they would be improving such as the picnic tables, the bike racks, the benches, etc. Mr. Kutulas stated that you can get a handle on what they would look like from the presentation and that what they are proposing into that is that they planned on mimicking their standard in the district with the stylings for the seat walls as was done at Hubbard Woods Park and at the Skokie Playfield complex as well as park benches which have been used throughout the entire district. He stated that they wanted to make sure that they have the same sense of unity throughout the entire park district so that it is not one off per site.

Mr. Dearborn asked if the items shown are the ones to be used as opposed to black.

Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that is the tone of the wood and that they use all Epay wood which seemed to last the longest.

Rick Schram noted that the photos are of Hubbard Woods Park.

Mr. Dearborn stated that they are currently black and seemed to blend in with the green space. He also asked what is a Gaga court.

Mr. Kutulas described it as dodge ball contained in a hexagon which he stated that they found was very popular with the tweens at focus group discussions.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that the wall is an octagonal shape and that it is approximately 20 feet across and 30 inches tall made out of recycled wood and referred to the corner brackets. He also stated that they would have to be accessible via a swing door for those disabled users. Mr. Schram also stated that there would be a couple of low barrier drops so that the children can step over.

Mr. Kutulas went on to state that they included some of the adjacent properties so that you can see how it would fit in contextually. He then identified the site as it existed today and that you can see the color cues from the playground and the design work. Mr. Kutulas indicated that they planned to take a deeper step into the playground and talk through that process. He then asked if there were any questions.

No questions were raised by the Board at this time.

Mr. Kutulas noted that the playground itself has been enlarged and that they attempted to repurpose and reuse what they can within the play structure. He stated that they planned to reuse any ladders, posts and decks that they can repaint and refresh in order to get a second life out of them. Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that the same process has been done at Northfield Park and the Village Green and that it is a cost savings for the community and allowed them to make sure that they are as green as possible.

Mr. Kutulas went on to discuss the play elements in the site design. He suggested that the Board not get hung up on the colors in the photos as they are design photos from the manufacturer. Mr. Kutulas stated that he would go through a color palette which will be a 3-D rendering that they planned on using with one exception. He then stated that he did not know how concerned the Board would be with regard to the play structure itself and that they may be more concerned about the coloring and asked the Board if they would like for him to go through it.

Chairman Swierk questioned the surface.

Mr. Kutulas responded that the surface would consist of what they have there already and that they planned to use a poured-in-place rubberized surface which would increase in areas he identified for the Board. He stated that they planned to keep the same material throughout the park and that they planned to take the first layer off and install a new layer on top of that, extending it where necessary for the fall zones. Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that it helped their maintenance teams to be more efficient and for practicality.

Mr. Kutulas then stated that the second thing they planned to take away is the sand and that the lighter areas he identified in the illustration represent a wood constructed fibar (sp?) fill which met all of the current ASTM and ASTI standards. He stated that the standards for the equipment that they meet are based on the highest level of activity and referred to a structure which is 6 feet

tall and that they have to ensure that they have fall containment for that structure. Mr. Kutulas noted that the fibar fill meets that standard and is the same product which is used at all of their playgrounds.

Chairman Swierk asked if it is impervious.

Mr. Kutulas confirmed that is correct and described it basically as wood chips. He also noted that they planned to retain some areas of sand that the children enjoy.

Chairman Swierk asked how it would be separated from the other surface.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that the poured-in-place will act as a barrier between the sand and the wood chips and that it should not intermix at any great extent. He also noted that they have done this at the Village Green with sand in the play pit and wood chips under the swings and that at the Indian Hill park, they have a completely separate sand area.

Mr. Kutulas then referred the Board to a rendering of the playground equipment and the actual color palette. He stated that at the end of the day, you would see two color tones out there and that the areas shown in gray are the portions of the playground that they plan on repurposing and served to differentiate between the new and old play structures. Mr. Kutulas stated that there different aerial views which would provide a perception of what it is and put into context the fall zones. He stated that with regard to swing sets and the potential to jump off of them, in terms of fall zones, they have to mitigate and make sure that they have enough place for that. Mr. Kutulas noted that everything has been laid out and that they have reaffirmed all of the calculations so that they do not have any issues down the road.

Mr. Schram stated that the existing color on the posts is a plain green and stated that they would be going with a darker, pine green color. He noted that the slides would remain and that they would be adding one more slide and that they would be beige in color. Mr. Schram then stated that there would be some accent colors which he described as nemone (sp?) which is a lime green color. He stated that some of the other plastic components would be blue in color and which they already have out there which are the play panels which are currently blue. Mr. Schram also stated that they would have a couple of play wheels which would have a small red spot in color as well as the nets which would be black. He then stated that they are proposing a shade canopy on two of the structures and informed the Board that one of the requests that they received from the surveys from the children and the parents was that there be more shade provided at the playground. Mr. Schram noted that while they are adding trees around the perimeter of the playground, they would not provide shade for the playground. He then referred the Board to an illustration of a cool topper fabric canopy and that on the big structure, those would sit approximately 15 feet in the air and that the tallest deck is 6 feet and would reach another 9 feet above the canopy. Mr. Schram also stated that there would be on the small tot structure a canopy which would reach 11 feet at its maximum height.

Mr. Schram stated that the fabric canopy is shown on the rendering as beige and that they planned to change the color to green so that it would blend in with the trees and tree canopy so that it would be less visible.

Chairman Swierk stated that given the size of the canopies, he asked if they would actually provide any shade.

Mr. Schram stated that they will provide some shade and that as the sun goes around, it would cast a shadow and would also help to cool some of the equipment down. He noted that it would not provide shade to the swings and to the south of where the canopies are located, particularly for the children who would sit in the vicinity of those tall structures.

Chairman Swierk asked how big is one of those canopies.

Mr. Schram responded that they are 8 feet square and that the decks are approximately 3½ feet. He noted that there are bigger canopies available but that they attempted to create a balance in terms of the size so that they would not have giant tent structures all over the playground. Mr. Schram stated that they wanted to be cognizant of the neighbors so that it did not look like a surface. He added that in other areas of the country, these canopies are very popular and go over the whole playground but that they would do a less obtrusive structure.

Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that what the biggest thing they heard is that they want shade for the children and that they are providing that with trees, although it would take time for them to mature and develop. He indicated that this would help to mitigate some of that time lapse.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that what they also heard from the community meetings is to provide more physical activity for the older children and that a lot of the comments related to the fact that the park did not provide a lot of things for the tween children which are in the 12 year old range. He then stated that they made an effort to provide a lot of climbing things on the larger structure which is why you see a lot of the net structures similar to that at Hubbard Woods. Mr. Schram also stated that there is a net structure behind the Skokie Playfield which is a dome with a rope structure and which is very popular for the children.

Mr. Kutulas asked the Board if they had any questions about the playground equipment and the color palette.

Chairman Swierk also asked the Board if there were any questions or concerns in connection with the canopies and whether it is worth doing.

Mr. Konstant commented that they are worth doing and that they would cast shadows.

Chairman Swierk asked the Board if they thought that the colors were okay.

Mr. Klaskin stated that he thought that it looked nice but that it almost looked a little too conservative and questioned who they tried to appeal to. He suggested that they incorporate a little more color since it is a children’s park. Mr. Klaskin then stated that the park is well shaded and would not be an eyesore to anyone who lived in the neighborhood. He suggested that a little more color be given to the spinner in order to give it more punch.

Chairman Swierk asked the applicant if they were worried about concern from the neighbors.

Mr. Kutulas responded that is correct and that the color palette that Mr. Schram mentioned is essentially identical and that they wanted to keep that palette true to what it was. He informed the Board that they voted that question out through online surveys and that there was a mixed result.

Mr. Klaskin suggested the use of a deeper maroon color or a different shade of a milder blue which would give it more visual appeal without it appearing like a neon sign.

Mr. Dearborn stated that he had a different perspective and that if he was a neighbor, he would have some issues with this and referred to the beautiful green space. He stated that he liked the idea of a path but that he did not like the idea of concrete and commented that he wished that they had kept the brick pavers which would have given it a more classy look. Mr. Dearborn then stated that they are taking a fair amount of green space and that the intensity is more than what was done at other parks since this is not as big of a space as the other parks and that there is a lot going on. He then stated that while he realized that they are the park experts, given the fact that the intensity of the area is amping up, he would keep it more subtle so that it would blend in more. Mr. Dearborn then asked if the concrete would be a white path.

Mr. Smith informed the Board that what they have learned with regard to the use of brick pavers is that they are high maintenance for them as well as the fact that they are more expensive going in. He stated that when they look at the economics of the project, they are looking for efficiencies and things which are durable.

Mr. Dearborn stated that he assumed that they talked to the neighbors and asked if this would be announced to the neighbors.

Mr. Norkus confirmed that is correct.

Mr. Dearborn stated that it would become a much more colorful and intense area compared to what is there now.

Mr. Smith noted that this playground is one of the most heavily used playgrounds in the Village and that it is only trumped now by Hubbard Woods. He stated that they knew for years that they would have to expand this playground component and once they got the master plan, he referred to the gazebo and the discussions with regard to shade and what can be done in terms of shade relief areas, as well as shelter against the weather. Mr. Smith then referred to the return of the gazebo which they were criticized for taking out at Hubbard Woods and to access the western edge of the Village Hall.

Mr. Dearborn then asked how much green space would be taken away in terms of percentage.

Mr. Kutulas stated that he can get the calculations.

Chairman Swierk estimated it to be 10%.

Mr. Klaskin stated that when you look at the aerial views, it looked like a big reduction of green space but that from a ground level view, he commented that it would blend in nicely. He then stated that considering the concentration of young families that are walking to the park, he described it as pretty essential.

Mr. Kutulas stated that the biggest flashes are the north-central location and referred to an extra quarter section that would be gone.

Chairman Swierk stated that when you look at the two renderings, they are just the playground zoomed in.

Mr. Dearborn stated that he did not object to anything they are doing, but that he would take a different opinion and suggested that it be kept more subtle where they could in terms of color.

Chairman Swierk asked for the shade elements if it would make sense to have a lower area of shade where people could sit underneath it and instead of it being 8 feet, for it to be 12 feet which would allow more people to sit under it and which would cast a bigger shadow.

Mr. Kutulas referred to the gazebo and the amount of trees out there.

Chairman Swierk also stated that he would like to see a different material other than concrete and asked if pavers are not the answer, is there another type of concrete that they looked at.

Mr. Smith stated that he has been building parks for 40 years and that he has seen stamped (?) at Hubbard Woods and that it is difficult to cut and repair and in terms of matching. He also stated that they are sensitive to the issue of hard scape and that it had been brought up several times. Mr. Smith stated that they also had to consider the ADA component and what would be best.

Chairman Swierk asked if the crush stoned counted toward ADA.

Mr. Kutulas stated that would also be difficult to maintain.

Mr. Smith stated that when they began the process, the reason why they eliminated a majority of the sand was that at the Village Green, Indian Hill and Northfield Park is that it is a maintenance issue and that it migrates out of the play area and allowed grass to grow through it.

Mr. Dearborn then asked if there is a path which went through the center of Hubbard Woods.

It was confirmed that there is a sidewalk.

Mr. Konstant suggested the use of a third canopy structure and that the use of only two seemed odd and out of balance.

Mr. Kutulas identified the use of the canopies over the play structures and stated that another structure that might be warranted would be in an area he identified for the Board. He stated that they would have to consider that option.

Mr. Konstant then stated that he agreed with Mr. Klaskin that it would be nice to have a light colored structure.

Mr. Klaskin referred to the use of the color red in the Village and on various buildings. He stated that he did not think it would be objectionable to have red in the structure which would provide a pop of color.

Mr. Schram stated that he suggested black for the color of the climbers and that they could go with red which is what they have at Hubbard Woods.

Mr. Klaskin then stated that he did not have an issue with the sidewalk and that it would be nice to keep the green space but that it offered a huge amount of practicality.

Chairman Swierk asked if there was any discussion that the sidewalk might be the best idea for the children and referred to it being along the parking strip.

Mr. Schram stated that for its current location, there is a sidewalk along Birch and that this would provide access to the other side. He also identified an existing sidewalk which was removed. Mr. Schram then informed the Board that he was an designer of the original playground and that it was always a thought that there be a connection between Oak Street and Elm Street and that it was never finished because of cost.

Mr. Konstant stated that with regard to the discussion about access to the Village Hall, he felt as if the gazebo and the access to the street would be off of that access and referred to whether it would make sense to be inaccessible.

Chairman Swierk then referred to an area which is off center.

Mr. Klaskin stated that item should be the last thing to worry about until the post office issue is resolved.

Mr. Kutulas agreed that it could be changed depending on that development.

Mr. Klaskin then referred to Mr. Konstant's suggestion of adding another shade element and suggested that they consider a shade element where the parents would be sitting or for children to cool off.

Mr. Kutulas stated that is denoted where the park benches are cued in and commented that Mr. Schram did a fantastic job of keying those in where there are currently trees. He stated that the gazebo would be the direct object for the tables, etc.

Mr. Dearborn asked if those are the same concrete sidewalk pavers around the gazebo as the sidewalk.

Mr. Kutulas responded that it would be concrete sidewalk.

Mr. Klaskin commented that it is too bad that they cannot use the rubberized play surface concrete [as opposed to the concrete].

Mr. Dearborn asked if there was no other concrete material that would blend in more than a white concrete sidewalk.

Mr. Schram indicated that they can change the color of the concrete.

Chairman Swierk then stated that it would become a future patching problem.

Mr. Smith stated that it is for simplicity and added that with regard to maintenance, the simpler, the better. He stated that he understood what they are saying. Mr. Smith then stated that when you look at it in the totality of all the parts, they want to try to make it simple.

Chairman Swierk stated that with regard to the straightness of the concrete walk, he asked if any thought was given to it being straight north to south and asked if there was any thought to curving it at all.

Mr. Klaskin commented that it would be better to parallel it with the sidewalk on the other side.

Mr. Kutulas went on to discuss the gazebo. He stated that in connection with the structure itself, he referred the Board to a couple of different options shown on the illustration. Mr. Kutulas then

stated that with regard to the heights, for the two tier design, they would like the Board's input on how it would fit contextually with the park setting and the surrounding properties.

Mr. Konstant asked how wide it would be.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that it would be 28 feet wide which is what Hubbard Woods was. He also stated that it would not be the same as the gazebo in Hubbard Woods and that it would be made out of metal while the Hubbard Woods gazebo is made out of wood. Mr. Schram informed the Board that the proposed shingles are asphalt architectural fiberglass shingles and that there would be a tongue-in-groove wood deck underneath it. He also stated that there would be decorative ornamentation underneath the eaves of the structure and that would be metal. Mr. Schram added that the slope would be either 5:12 or 6:12. He then stated that for the cupola on top, the neoclassic look would match what is on top of the Village Hall and that the round columns are queued from the playground and the church to the north on the other side of Elm Street.

Mr. Konstant asked how tall are the columns.

Mr. Schram stated that there would be an 8 foot walk underneath and that to the peak of the cupola, it is about 18 feet.

Mr. Kutulas commented that what is nice about the structures and that would make them user friendly is that they be unassembled and removed if necessary and that it can be broken down. Mr. Kutulas stated that it would have a powder coated steel durable finish which would stand the test of time. He noted that many of these designs and the manufacturer are still standing 25 years later.

Mr. Konstant commented that they do not need the cupola on top and that the second roof is the cupola. He added that they could save some money [by eliminating it]. He also commented that the structure feels squatty and that it appeared too low and referred to the height of the columns in comparison.

Mr. Klaskin commented that he loved the idea of having a place to sit. He also commented that it seemed incongruous and that something is missing.

Chairman Swierk agreed that something is not proportionate and referred to the people in the illustration and the 8 foot height. He indicated that it should have a railing or something.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that they discussed that and that they found that it would make it difficult for people to pass through. He also stated that it would end up being a performance space for a poetry reading or violin quartet performing and that railings would cut things off.

Chairman Swierk then suggested the use of having a railing on five sides and leaving three open facing the green space.

Mr. Kutulas stated that they would have to leave one section open for flow, utility and accessibility.

Mr. Smith informed the Board that they put in at the park on Dempster Street in Morton Grove and that there is a pool and large park at one of the intersections. He then stated that if they drove down Dempster, they would see it on the north side. He noted that they put that in 25 years ago. Mr. Smith commented that it is a good quality structure and that it is fine. He then that they can see how it weathers.

Mr. Konstant asked if there would be illumination.

Mr. Kutulas and Mr. Schram confirmed that is correct.

Mr. Smith referred to a palette of ornamentation underneath the eaves and that there are all different types of ornamentation.

Mr. Dearborn stated that in connection with the eaves at 8 feet, he asked where did they come up with that and referred to the comment that it is short.

Mr. Schram responded that is the standard and that it is at Hubbard Woods and Tower Road. He also stated that this would be visible from an area he identified for the Board and that in another area, it would be at the same ground level.

Mr. Smith asked would anyone want to see a larger type gazebo.

Chairman Swierk stated that they can duplicate the one in Hubbard Woods. He commented that 28 feet is a decent size.

Mr. Kutulas asked the Board what they would like to see with regard to the gazebo and asked where could they hit the mark a little closer. He then referred to the height and the posts.

Mr. Konstant suggested that there be no ornamentation on top and that two levels are enough. He also suggested that a weather vane or flag be placed on top and that the column heights be increased by a foot.

Mr. Kutulas went on to state that with regard to the park site, he referred the Board to the planting plan. He stated that they wanted to keep the same contour pushed through while being cognizant of the terrace steps down. Mr. Kutulas stated that the green area would step down and that they wanted to make sure it is natural. Mr. Kutulas then informed the Board that they discussed it with the quary in terms of getting the actual stones that they are proposing for any of the hardscapes as far as seat walls and for it to have the same context and blend in and match. He asked the Board if they had any questions.

Chairman Swierk asked if there were any concerns with regard to storm water issues and the additional amount of impervious surface.

Mr. Klaskin questioned the amounts of pervious surface.

Mr. Kutulas responded that it is within the means.

Mr. Kutulas stated that the next area related to lighting. He informed the Board that they are proposing light spots throughout the park and referred the Board to an illustration of the site lighting which was identified in areas on the illustration. Mr. Kutulas noted that the gazebo

would have up lighting. He also stated that with regard to the lighting and bulbs, they would be the same as are seen throughout the Village and park sites.

Mr. Schram noted that they would have the same height at 10 feet.

Mr. Kutulas stated that they planned to go with LED lighting which he stated worked well. He asked the Board if they had any questions. No questions were raised by the Board at this time.

Mr. Kutulas stated that next, he would discuss the palette planting which included different tree ornamentation and plant material that have been selected for the site. He stated that it would have the same design cues as in all of the other park sites. Mr. Kutulas then stated that there is a standard pallet that they would like to stay with which worked well in the hearty zone and similar environment. He also identified the low lying areas and examples and planting beds which would contain a mixed pallet as shown. Mr. Kutulas asked the Board if they had any questions with regard to the vegetation. No questions were raised by the Board at this time.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that they did not include what would be done with the Garden Guild around the butterfly garden and at the south end.

Mr. Kutulas noted that they wanted to work with those clubs as to what the presentation should be and what would work. He also stated that they have an open relationship which they would maintain.

Mr. Klaskin referred to the perimeter part which has a good amount of trees and asked if any would be lost.

Mr. Kutulas stated that the ones they would be losing are the tier at the playground and parking which have grown beyond and reach into the use zones. He then stated that takes them through most of the design plan for the park. Mr. Kutulas stated that the Board has now seen the presentation and reiterated that they have had outreach with the community and have had numerous open houses, online surveys, focus groups, etc. Mr. Kutulas asked the Board if they had any questions for them.

Chairman Swierk first asked if there were any comments from the audience. No comments were made by the audience at this time.

Mr. Dearborn asked if there were any objections from neighbors.

Mr. Kutulas responded that there were a few and that a percentage of 10% did not want them to do anything to the park while a few wanted them to do the bare minimum to meet ADA compliance issues and other standards. He then stated that for the most part, they have been met with open arms by those who wholeheartedly support the project. Mr. Kutulas also stated that in terms of what the community wanted, they wanted to make sure that the project reached to all age groups.

Mr. Dearborn then asked about the homes which are contiguous to the park.

Mr. Kutulas stated that a lot of those neighbors were present and identified concerns such as lighting. He noted that they were cognizant of those and that the design cues and recommendations were considered throughout the process.

Mr. Dearborn asked with regard to the landscaping, if none of that landscaping would be changing for them in terms of their view to the park.

Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that would only relate to Option 3 to the far south and that it would change what is against the sidewalk. He stated that there would be low lying plants and confirmed that all of the trees would all stay. Mr. Kutulas stated that with regard to anything which would be taken out, it is because of the hazard.

Mr. Smith stated that through the entire process, they have heard everything from having zip lines, fences, an off leash dog park, etc. He noted that at one meeting, people were very adamant not to do anything until the post office site is resolved. Mr. Smith informed the Board that there was contentious dialog between two people who insisted on that and that they addressed the concerns. Mr. Smith also informed the Board that two Park Board members met with Margaret Benson who chaired the downtown master plan committee and that they are all in agreement. He stated that they wanted to make sure that they gave opportunities for that development which is key to their site. Mr. Smith added that they have built a strong consensus.

Chairman Swierk stated that it would be positive for future development for the homeowners that the park is being improved and maintained.

Mr. Klaskin referred to those who worry about their own backyard before they worry about the park.

Mr. Smith stated that point was brought up that the park that with it being a renovated park, it would be more attractive to development.

Mr. Klaskin stated that he was surprised that there was no suggestion that there be Wi-Fi.

Mr. Smith responded that was discussed and that it is one piece of the strategic plan.

Chairman Swierk asked if there would be a 4 or 5 foot sidewalk north south.

Mr. Schram confirmed that it would be 6 feet.

Chairman Swierk asked if they could tool in the joint to make it look like a curb and for there to be 8 inches on each side in order to make it more decorative. He asked if that would that help.

Mr. Dearborn commented that it is a great park.

Chairman Swierk commented that he loved the ping pong table.

Mr. Dearborn then stated that there is a lot of concrete.

Mr. Klaskin asked if people would have to bring their own equipment.

A gentleman in the audience stated that at Hubbard Woods, there was a gigantic sale for bocce balls.

Mr. Klaskin stated that with the tweaks they discussed, it would be a great plan.

Chairman Swierk stated that with regard to the gazebo, they do not have the full details and they would have to come back to the Board. He then asked what approvals were they looking for today.

Mr. Schram stated that is the biggest part of the presentation.

Mr. Smith stated that before they put it out to bid, they would structure the bid to unit cost, etc. and that it has gotten to the point where the Park Board has to consider, they now have $500,000 budgeted for the playground and that there is a potential donor who planned to donate a substantial amount to the project. He also stated that they would be receiving money from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the Hubbard Woods Park. Mr. Smith stated that they would be reimbursed for $398,000 and that they would have the financial latitude.

Mr. Klaskin stated that when they discussed the Hubbard Woods Park, the park district was up against a deadline for funding and asked if there is a similar timeline or deadline for this project. He asked if the Board could make recommendations for adjustments to the gazebo and that the applicant can come back and make some adjustments.

Mr. Smith confirmed that is correct and that if there is a consensus on the site plan as it exists today, they can come back with more detail in terms of the gazebo plan.

Mr. Dearborn referred to the gazebo and sidewalk and suggested that they do something to make it more___.

Mr. Kutulas agreed that they can make it pop.

Mr. Dearborn then stated that he would like for the sidewalk to blend more and that he is hearing that is not possible. He suggested that they find another way to make it attractive.

Mr. Kutulas agreed that could be done.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Schram confirmed that they will look at it.

Mr. Kutulas informed the Board that if there are any loose rocks, the children would find, throw and play with them.

Mr. Klaskin referred to exposed aggregate driveways and referred to a home on Westmore which was done in spring. He also stated that the same thing was done on Maple.

Mr. Smith stated that he heard where the Board is coming from but that it is public place and is unique. He then stated that if this was a garden area, that would be fine. Mr. Smith informed the Board that clearing the pathways and sidewalks in the winter would be an issue. He also stated that some of the pavers have been there for 20 years.

Mr. Schram noted that the intent of the design is to break up the concrete as much as possible. He referred to the use of brick pavers under a majority of the benches and gravel pathways instead of concrete. Mr. Schram then stated that he sympathized with the situation with the

concrete. He also stated that they have a brick border on the Indian Hill pathways which has not worked well over a long period of time. Mr. Schram added that the brick settles and moves.

Mr. Dearborn stated that with regard to the concrete around the gazebo, it is an enormous amount.

Mr. Smith responded that for the gazebo, they did brick pavers underneath and that it worked because of the solid structure around it. He then stated that it is not like a sidewalk where the edge creeps out and you start to get separation. Mr. Smith stated that they would carve out a diagonal to match the footprint.

Mr. Schram informed the Board that it was done at Hubbard Woods.

Mr. Dearborn suggested that they soften it a little bit.

Mr. Smith agreed that they could come back with a better proposal around the gazebo.

Chairman Swierk asked if there is no need for full approval at this point.

Mr. Norkus stated that the Board is to comment on the balance of the request as being favorable which would become part of the record. He then stated that the Plan Commission and the ZBA would benefit from that.

Mr. Dearborn asked if they can ask to see some iterations on some portions.

Mr. Norkus stated that the applicant can return with additional alternatives. He stated that he is hearing that the gazebo design and hardscape and concrete areas are the concerns.

Chairman Swierk asked for a motion approving the overall design subject to the comments which were identified.

Mr. Dearborn then moved to approve the plan for Dwyer Park as presented with the exceptions that they would like to have follow-up conversations with regard to the gazebo and hardscape, particularly the concrete areas which are to be approved as part of the park background. He also stated that the applicant is to provide information on these items at a future meeting.

Mr. Norkus stated that prior to the upcoming meeting, he would talk to Mr. Smith.

The motion was seconded. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously passed.

AYES: Dearborn, Klaskin, Konstant, Swierk
NAYS: None

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Antionette Johnson

AGENDA REPORT

SUBJECT: Dwyer Park renovations – comment to Village Council regarding application for Special Use Permit

DATE: October 14, 2016

PREPARED BY: Brian Norkus, Assistant Director of Community Development

At the Design Review Board's September 15, 2016 meeting, the Design Review Board voted to provide favorable comment on the proposed plans for Dwyer Park, excluding both the proposed gazebo and hardscape and paving materials. The Board recommended further study of (1) the proposed scale and roof configuration of the gazebo, and (2) the extensive use of concrete for hardscape areas.

Revised plans submitted by the Park District are intended to address concerns raised by the Board at September 15 meeting.

Dwyer Park
Certificate of Appropriateness Description
Modified Plan

The proposed development of Dwyer Park has been slightly revised from the plan submitted in September, primarily with refinements to the paving and gazebo.

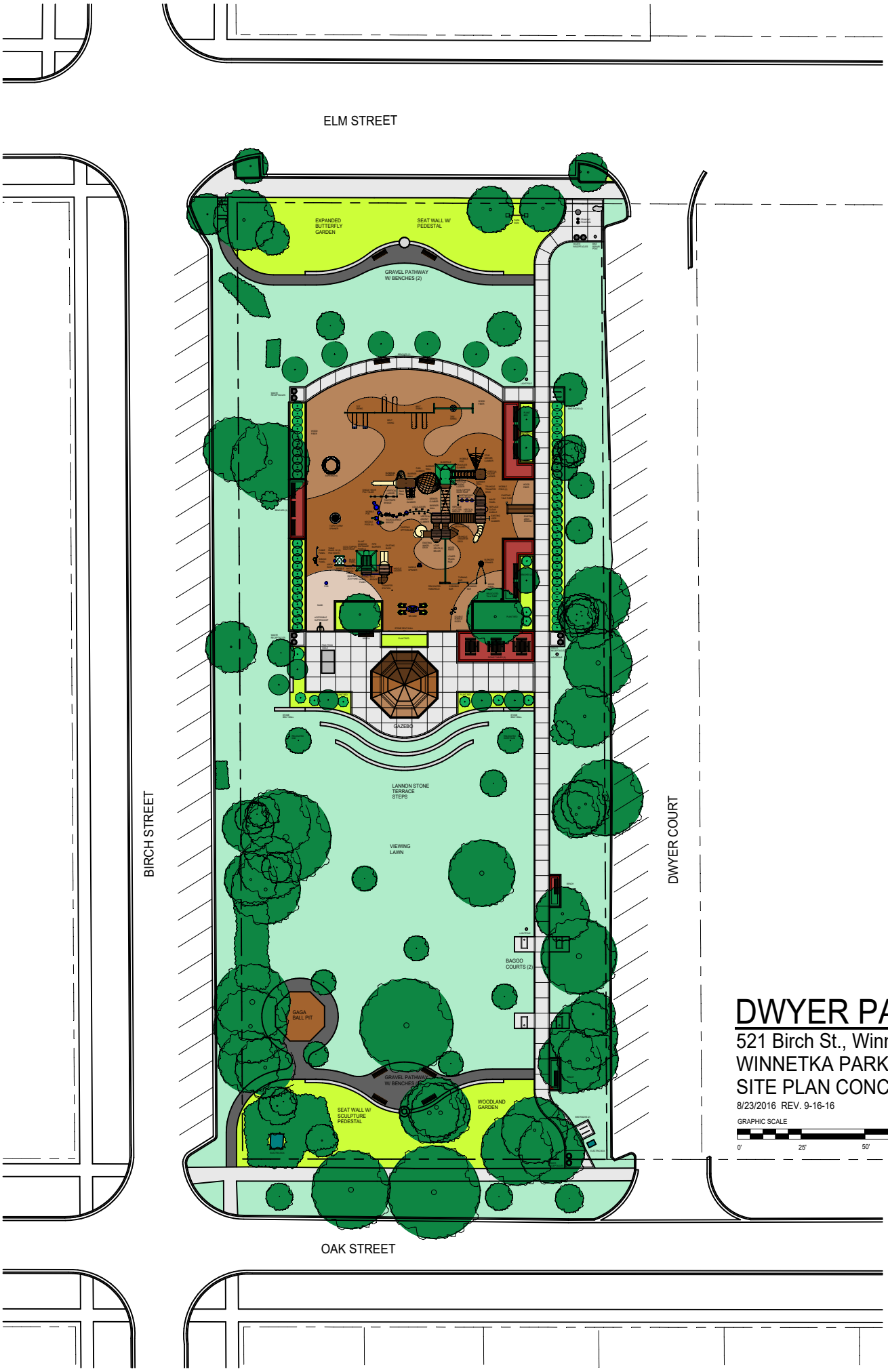
The 6 foot wide concrete walk running north and south between Elm Street and Oak Street has been detailed with tooled control joints paralleling the edge of the walk 6 inches in from each side. This will visually reduce the width of the walk and create a "border" to the pavement.

Portions of the concrete gazebo patio to the south of the playground will be replaced with brick pavers. These include the area under the group of three picnic tables and an octagonal area directly under the gazebo (similar to what has been done at the Tower Road Park shelter). In addition, all the brick pavement areas in the park will have a contrasting darker color soldier course placed around the central herringbone rectangular pavers to create additional visual interest.

The gazebo design has been adjusted. A weathervane now tops the two-tiered shingle roof (approximately 17 feet tall without the weathervane). The height of the shelter has been changed to allow 8 feet of clearance between the ground and the underside of the 8" ornamentation under the roof eaves.

The amount of stone seat wall has been slightly reduced around the west side of the patio to make the area more open and visually balanced.

The waste receptacles on the patio have been moved to a less visually prominent small pad to the west and a bench has been installed in their place to provide seating for users of the ping pong table and shelter. Two loop bike racks have been located at the south entry to the park for the convenience of park users.



DWYER PARK

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WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT
SITE PLAN CONCEPT REVISED
8/23/2016 REV. 9-16-16

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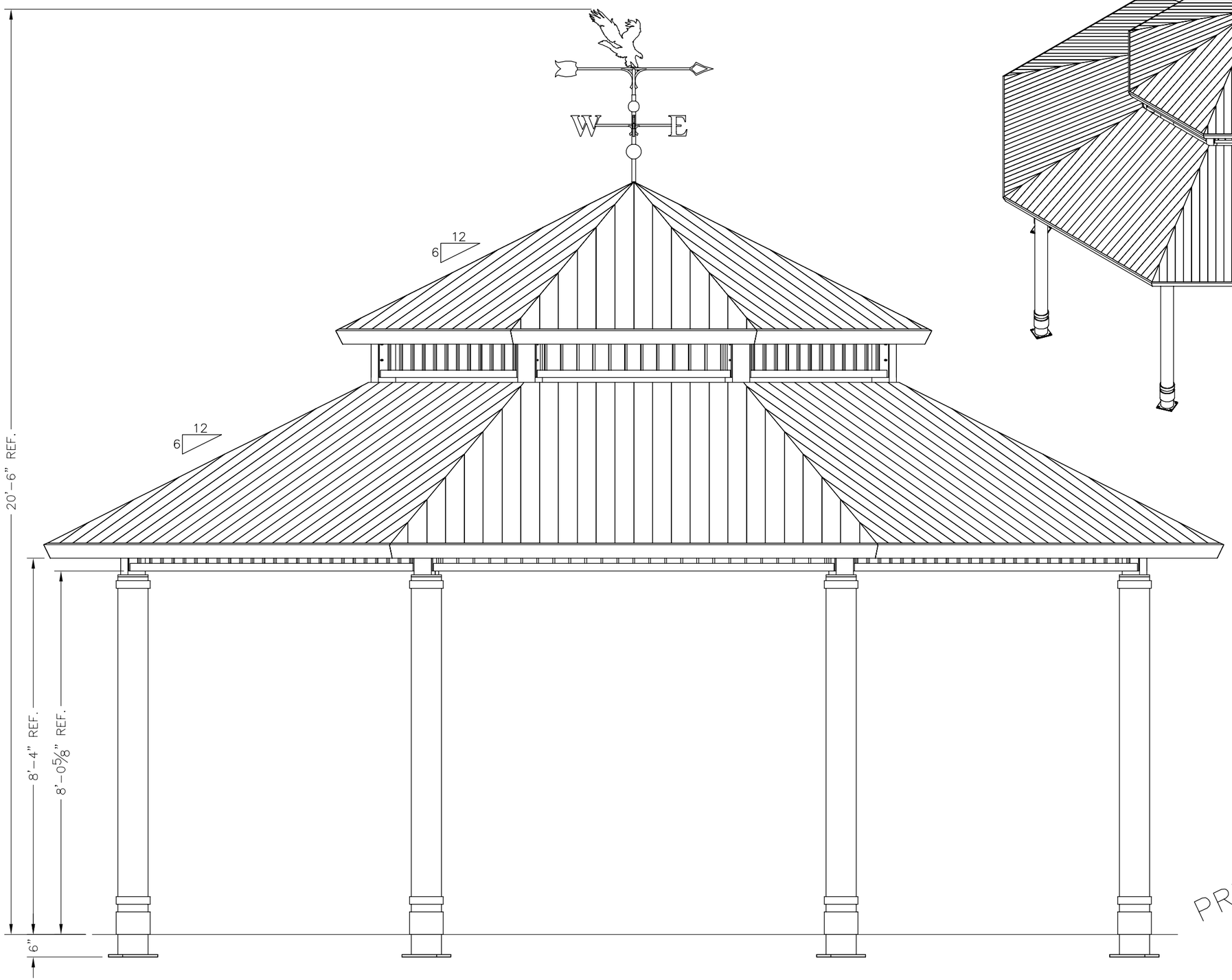

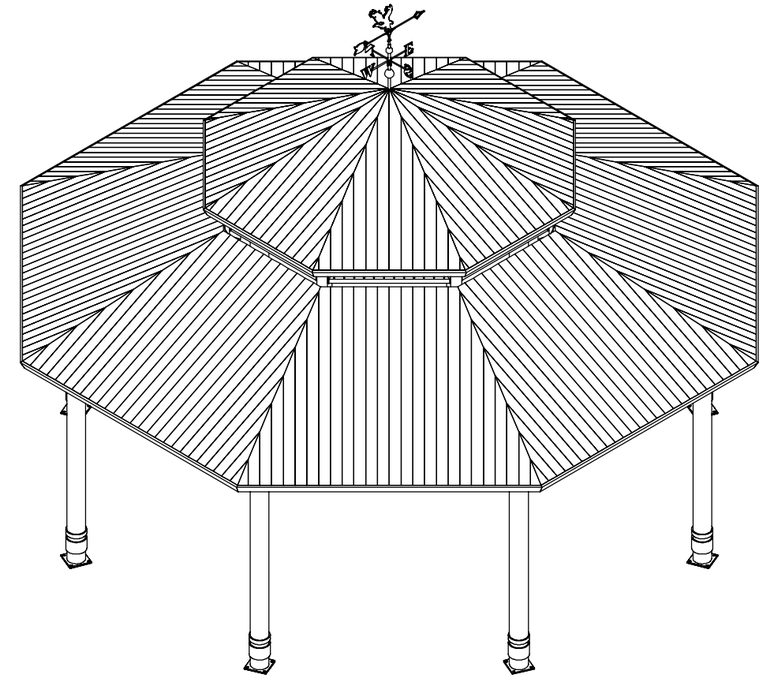

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REVISION:	A
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AGENDA REPORT

SUBJECT: 910 Green Bay, My Eye Doctor and Bella Bleu Bridal

DATE: October 13, 2016

PREPARED BY: Brian Norkus, Assistant Director of Community Development

At the Design Review Board's September 1, 2016 meeting, the applicant *"My Eye Dr."* received Board approval of window graphics for the rebranding of the former *"Spex"* eyewear/optical store at 910 Green Bay Road. At a prior meeting, the applicants received approval to reface an existing blade sign displaying the *"Spex"* logo.

Current plans call for the addition of new black fabric awnings on new frames for two (2) ground floor tenants, tenants in the building, including both *"My Eye Dr."* at and "*Bella Bleu Bridal*".

Proposed plans include matching Sunbrella Black awnings with white 6-inch lettering highlighted by a blue accent letter on each of the two awnings. An alternate plan included by the applicant allows for elimination of the blue accent lettering in favor of an all-white graphic on both storefronts.

The rigid awnings are proposed to project 36" from the building, with an overall awning height of 2'6", and observe a height of **10 feet** above the sidewalk. The height of 10 feet exceeds the minimum height of 8'0".

Typically the 8'- 0" height is expressed as a *minimum* requirement, the origin of the regulation being to provide for a minimum clearance for both pedestrians and snow removal equipment. However, an alternative reading of the Design Guidelines could suggest that the awnings lowered and extended to allow for a height of 8' above the sidewalk in order to carry through the traditional established awning height on adjacent buildings.

On the building to the immediate north at 920 Green Bay Road, the Board approved an awning in December 2013 for *Bedside Manor*, to be installed at a height of 8'-0" above the sidewalk (see *pages 2-3*).

The image on *page 4* depicts the street view [October 2012], highlighting the 12'6" height of storefront openings in recently renovated subject property, compared to lower storefront opening height of the older building to the north at 916-920 Green Bay Road.

EVANSTON AWNING CO.
Established 1921

2801 Central St.
Evanston, IL 60201
Phone: 847-864-4520
Fax: 847-864-5886
awnings@evanstonawnings.com
EVANSTONAWNINGS.COM

Sales: George Schaefer, CPP, Sales Mgr
Rendering by: Aaron Hunzinger

NOTES:

using Sunbrella material #4678 Marine Blue

JOB NAME	Bedside Manor Ltd.	PHONE	847-612-1408 (Meg cell)
CONTACT	Michael and Meg Carroll	FAX	773-404-8155
JOB ADDRESS	920 Greenbay Rd.	EMAIL	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	Winnetka, IL. 60093	MISC.	

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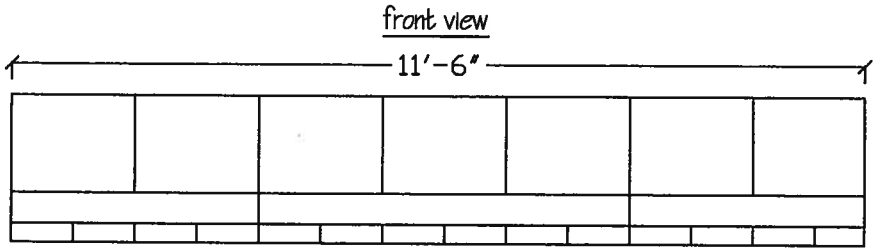
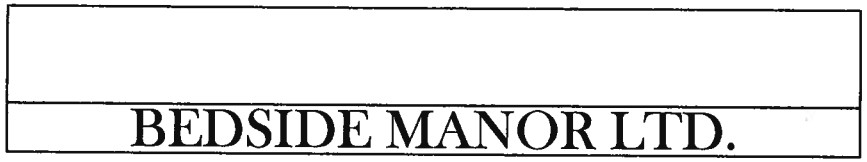
2 Traditional style stationary awnings with end wings and a stationary valance manufactured complete and installed on the E/F front of building. Frames made of 1"sq and $\frac{1}{2}$"rd welded galvanized steel tubing, with welds ground, primed and painted silver. Fabric attached by the lace-on method, using Sunbrella material #4678 Marine Blue.

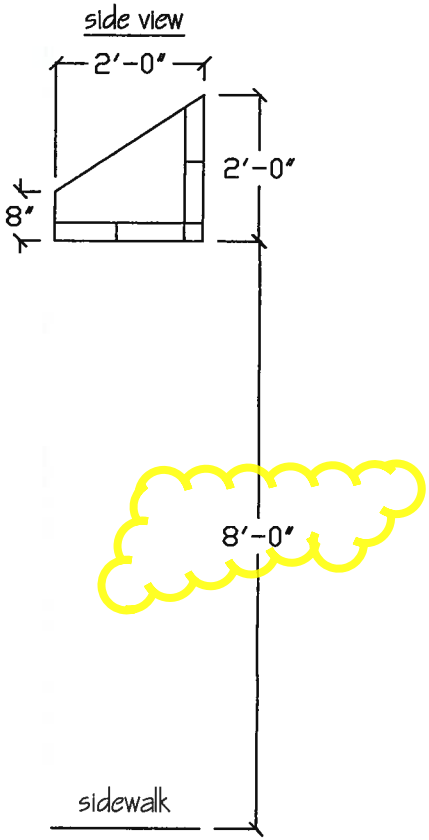
- awning sizes: (1) AS SHOWN BELOW
  (1) 9'-6"w x 2'-0"h (including valance) x 2'0"out

- Lettering/ signage applied to valance area of both awnings only @6"h, white color.

December 2013 - Adjacent building at 920 Green Bay







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Date

Job: Bedside Manor Ltd.
920 Greenbay Rd.
Winnetka, IL. 60093
Contact: Michael/Meg
Scale: $\frac{3}{8}$" = 1'-0"
Date: 11 - 20 - 2013

920 Green Bay window height extended
Google

VILLAGE OF WINNETKA, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

AWNING PERMIT APPLICATION

Tenant/Lessee

Name of Business:	Primary contact name:		Phone:
BELLA BLEU BRIDAL			
Street Address: 910 GREEN BAY			Fax:
City	State	Zip Code	Email:

Awning Company

Name of Awning Company:	Primary contact name:		Phone:
SOUTH WATER SIGN	BRIAN ROOT		331-225-3406
Street Address: 934 N. CHURCH			Fax: 630-333-4915
City: ELMHURST	State: IL	Zip Code: 60126	Email: BROOT@SOUTHWATERSIGNS.COM

Property Owner

Name of Company:	Primary contact name:		Phone:
Street Address:			Fax:
City	State	Zip Code	Email:

Awning is ☐ retractable, *or* ☒ rigid
☒ new awning, *or* ☐ recovering of existing frame

Description of fabric type and color (attach samples) SUNBRELLA BLACK

Description of awning sign material, method of application and color PMS 297 - DIGITAL PRINT & PAINT

Height of awning logo/copy : 10 inches

Awning Dimensions: Width 8'6" Height 2'6" Projection from building face:_____

OFFICE USE ONLY PERMIT FEE ($70 each) _____

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL: _____

VILLAGE OF WINNETKA, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

AWNING PERMIT APPLICATION

Tenant/Lessee

Name of Business:	Primary contact name:		Phone:
MY EYE DR			
Street Address: 910 GREEN BAY			Fax:
City: WINNETKA	State: IL	Zip Code:	Email:

Awning Company

Name of Awning Company:	Primary contact name:		Phone:
SOUTH WATER SIGN	BRIAN ROOT		331-225-3406
Street Address: 934 N. CHURCH			Fax: 630-333-4915
City: ELMHURST	State: IL	Zip Code: 60126	Email: BROOT@SOUTHWATERSIGNS.COM

Property Owner

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Description of fabric type and color (attach samples): SUNBRELLA BLACK

Description of awning sign material, method of application and color: PMS 297 - DIGITAL PRINT AND PAINT

Height of awning logo/copy : 10 inches

Awning Dimensions: Width 16' Height 2'6" Projection from building face: 3'

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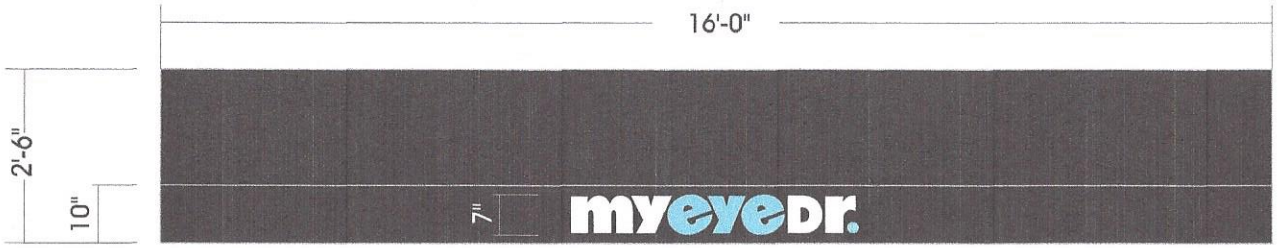
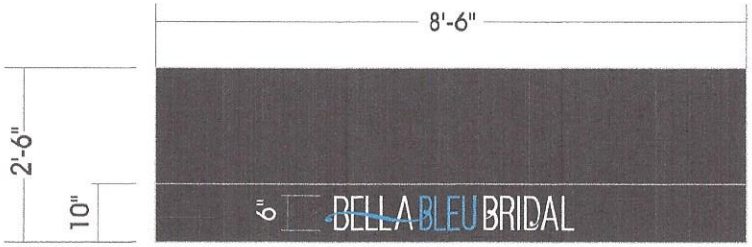
AWNINGS (OPTION A)

Spex - Winnetka, IL



FACE VIEW: MY EYE DOCTOR AWNING
3/8" = 1'-0"



FACE VIEW: TENANT AWNING
3/8" = 1'-0"

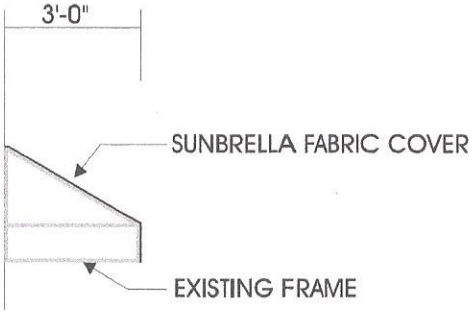
NOTE: CLEAN ARTWORK AND COLORS NEEDED FOR BELLA BLEU BRIDAL

SUNBRELLA BLACK	WHITE	PMS 297

LIGHT BLUE
"eye" & {period}

DIGITAL PRINT & PAINT
MATCH PMS 297

CUT VINYL
LIGHT BABY BLUE
FDC: #2500-108



END VIEW (typ)
1/4" = 1'-0"

ELEVATION: SCALE: 3/32" = 1'

JackStoneSigns JACKSTONESIGNS.COM
3131 Pennsy Drive, Landover, MD 20785 / phone (301) 322-3323 / fax (301) 322-8407

CUSTOMER	My Eye Doctor @ Spex
ADDRESS	910 Green Bay Road
CITY	Winnetka
STATE	IL 60093
FILE NAME	MED/Chicago/Spex/Winnetka (Awning)

DWG. NO.	5720
SCALE	Noted
DATE	8/9/16
DESIGNER	HM
CONTACT	Jim Dinen

REVISIONS
9/14/16HM-Bella Bleu Added
10/03/16HM-measurment

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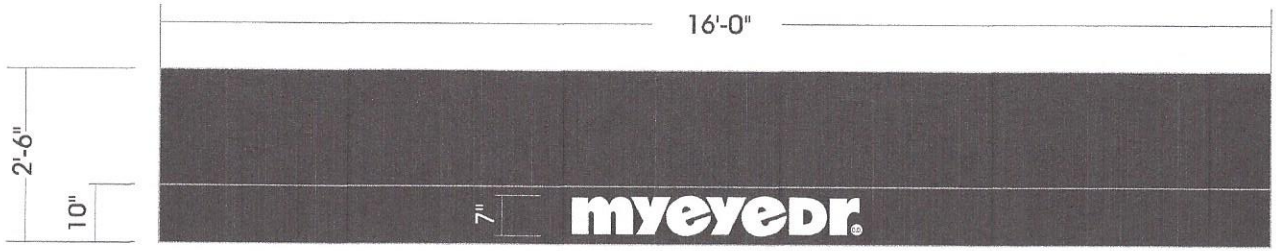
AWNINGS (OPTION B)

Spex - Winnetka, IL



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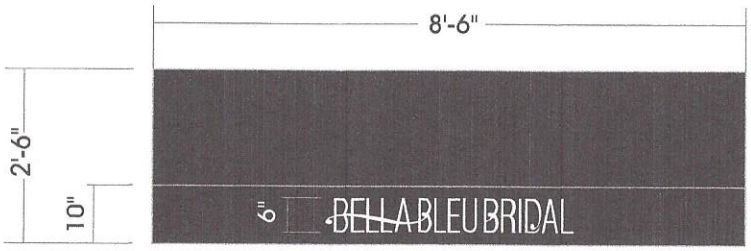

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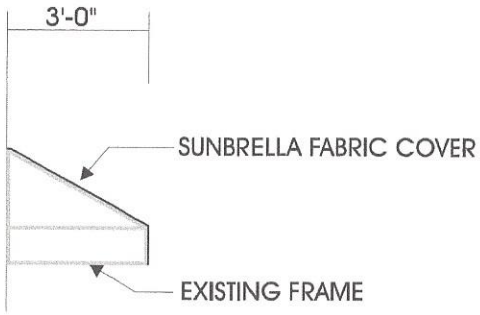
SUNBRELLA BLACK

WHITE



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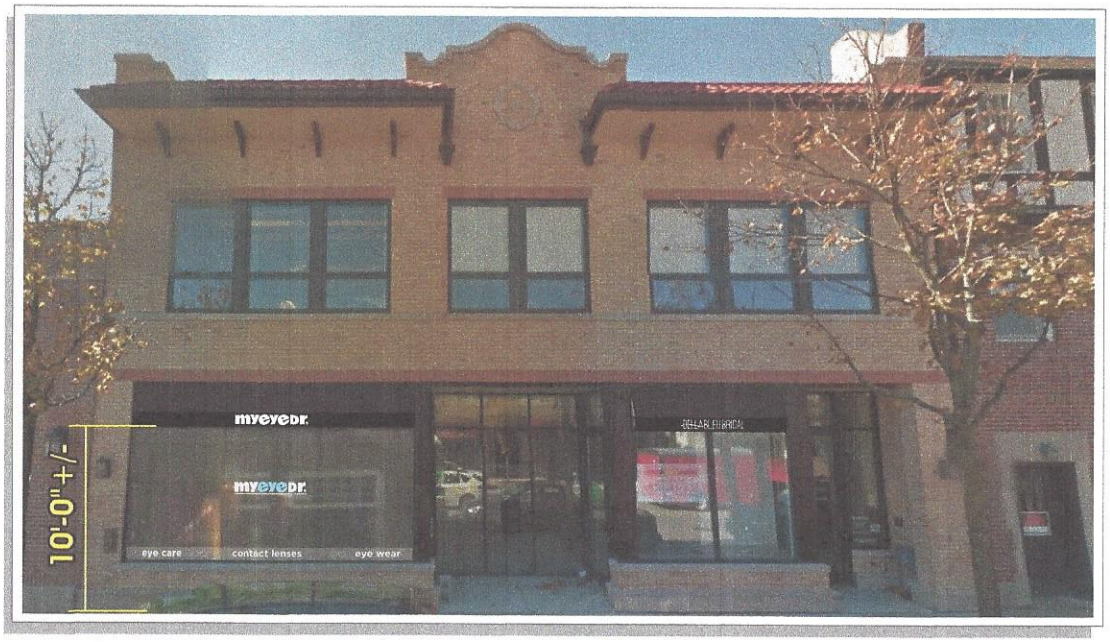

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AGENDA REPORT

SUBJECT: 523 Chestnut Street, Results 22 Diet Center

DATE: October 13, 2016

PREPARED BY: Brian Norkus, Assistant Director of Community Development

Attached plans depict plans for an awning for the upper floor tenant at 523 Chestnut (formerly occupied by H. Gary Frank Architects).

Proposed plans include recovering the existing half round frame with brown Sunbrella fabric, with 6" white lettering indicating the name of the business "Results 22 Diet Center" in a single line of copy.

In order clarify the type face proposed, Figure 1 below is an image clipped from the applicants web site.

Figure 1

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AWNING PERMIT APPLICATION

Tenant/Lessee

Barb Gonzalez 847-219-8117 *

Name of Business: Results 22	Primary contact name: Ed Reardon		Phone: 847-977-0317
Street Address: 523 Chestnut			Fax: 847-295-5400
City: Winnetka	State: IL	Zip Code: 60093	Email: Results22@gmail.com Results22Barb@gmail.com

Awning Company

Name of Awning Company: Acme Awning	Primary contact name: Chris Arends		Phone: 847-446-0153
Street Address: 1500 Old Deerfield Rd Highland Park			Fax:
City: Highland Park	State: IL	Zip Code: 60035	Email: Acmeawning@att.net

Property Owner

Name of Company: A & G Property Mgmt	Primary contact name: Josh Braun		Phone: 847-366-1565
Street Address: 800 Custer Ave #2			Fax:
City: Evanston	State: IL	Zip Code: 60202	Email: jbraun@brauninvest.com

Awning is ☐ retractable, *or* ☐ rigid
☐ new awning, *or* ☒ recovering of existing frame

Description of fabric type and color (attach samples): Sunbrella - Fabric True Brown - Color #4621

Description of awning sign material, method of application and color: Silk Brown ink

Height of awning logo/copy : 6 inches

Awning Dimensions: Width 74 Height 44 Projection from building face: 36

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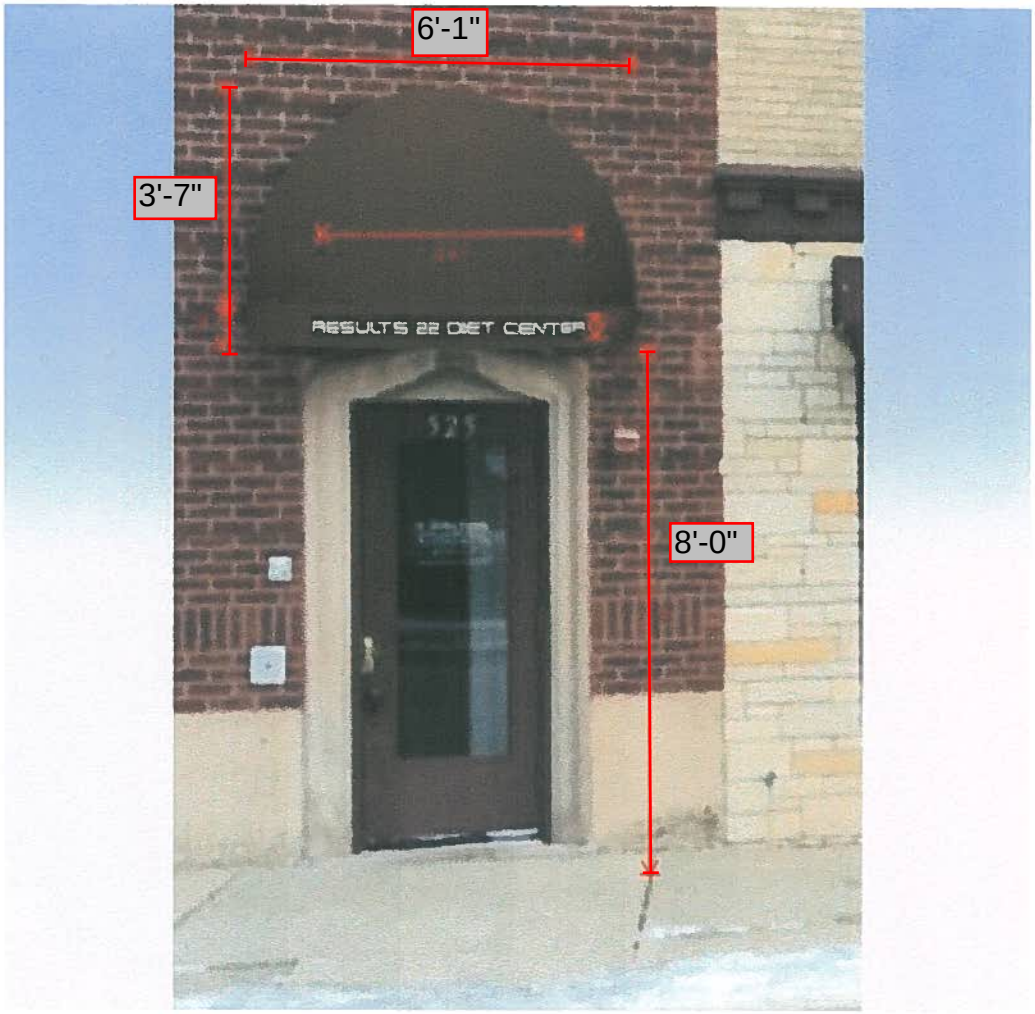

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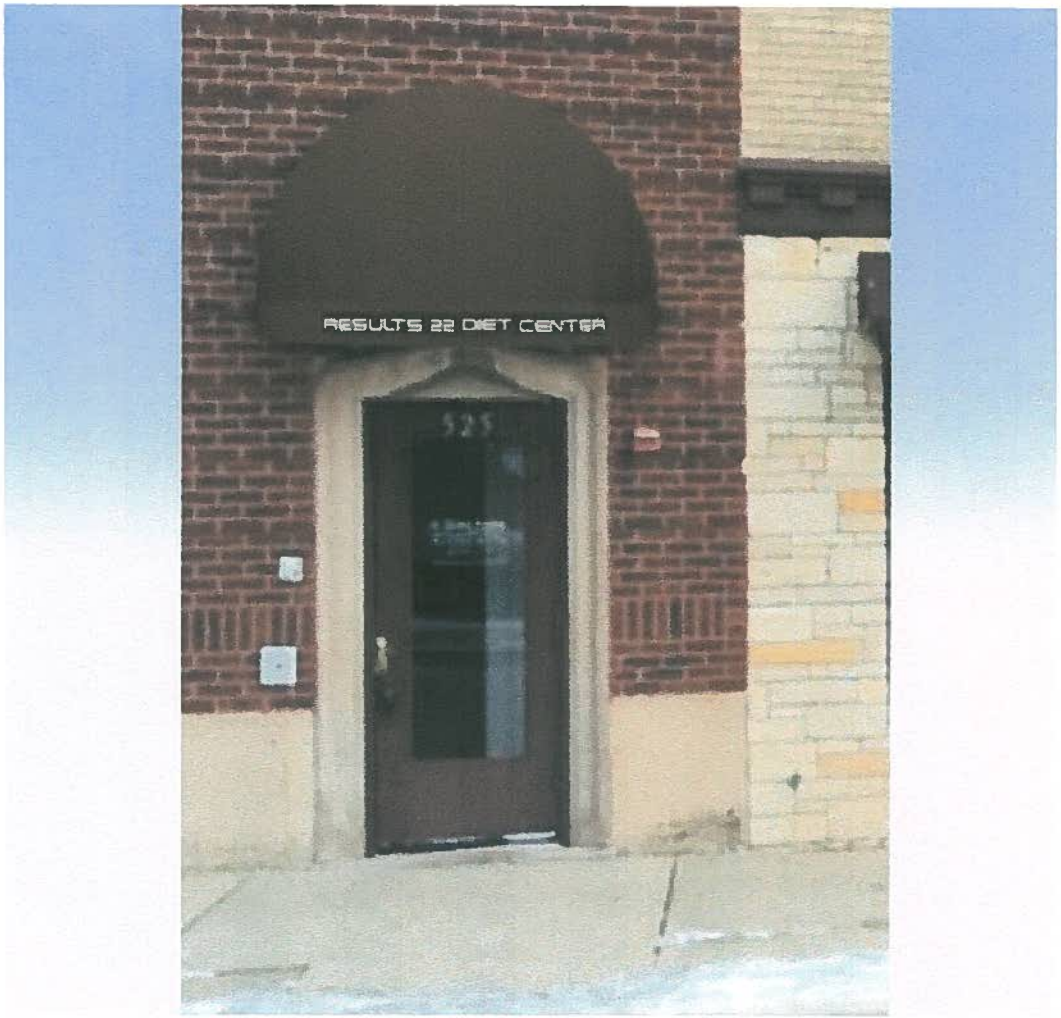
Acme Awning Co., Inc
1500 Old Deerfield Road
Suite 21 & 22
Highland Park, IL 60035
(847) 446-0153
acmeawning@att.net

Date:
September 29, 2016

Client Information:
Results 22
525 Chestnut St
Winnetka, IL 60093

Product Location:
Main Entrance
West Facing



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PLAN TO "RECOVER" FRAME THAT WAS APPROVED WITH LAST TENNANT.

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