

Ordinances & Rules Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2023

Chairwoman Harris called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

Present: Councillors Dunn, Harris, LeBlanc, McLaughlin and O'Brien.
Absent: None.

Councillor McLaughlin moved approval of the minutes from 12/4/2023. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

First agenda item: Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Tattoo Body Art Table of Uses
Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take King First West, LLC SP application at 55 First Ave off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Attorney Phil McCourt spoke on the special permit application. Councillor McLaughlin moved to suspend the rules to hear from all off Committee members. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Andrew Castraberti, Tyson, Nick Skoly and Rob from VHP and Tim Sullivan spoke on behalf of the petitioner and went through the petitioner's responses from the last meetings notes and opinions from Attorney Azadi. Attorney Azadi had notes from Engineering, Building and Traffic Department she had discussed with each Dept. Head. She went through a list of matters that needed to be acknowledged. Here is a list of some examples of what Attorney Azadi stated.

Top level of the garage and low salt, de-icing strategies petitioner is to use, I&I project, define specific cafeteria space, estimate the size; needs to be in the decision, variance for open space needs to be added to the decision (from the ground level.), photo-metric plans (stamped & submitted), lighting design for pergola, electrical equipment container off the map, sign illumination limited timeframe, monument on sheet C4 (entrance monument) 6 feet from the lot line, light noise, update plan to show below ground level, lights on building are not on comprehensive plan yet, what is distance to hotels (make this a condition.), mechanical equipment on the roof, clarification from City of Cambridge forwarded to City stating awareness of the de-icing process, percentage if use/manufacturing, zoning board variance for side yard, dimensions of parking levels, lab/office split, stamped copies and dimensions added to plans, trash location in south building, trash locations are not identified on plans, orientation of building connector is not consistent, bike racks, bike maintenance & locker rooms, showers locations, condition for mechanical equipment of roof added as condition, noise levels day/night time needs further clarification about limits/daytime etc., access easement/parking easement for abutting lots.

Attorney McCourt spoke and stated he would submit a time extension to the City Clerk's office this week. He suggested having another public hearing for this application on January 22, 2024 In order to have any new Councillor be able to partake in deliberation.

Attorney Azadi spoke on the Traffic Engineers assessment thus far. Mike Garvin., who was present stated the petitioner needs to implement adaptive signals at Winter, West, 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Reconstruction of Winter and Second Ave. intersection needs to be modified to be on one controller. We need a transportation demand plan and markings for east side bond lanes et. al.

An adaptive signal control is a must. Councillor LeBlanc would like number twenty-two to be a condition. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to adjourn. The motion was approved on a voice vote and Chairwoman Harris declared the meeting adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kara Wilson, Assistant City Clerk
January 10, 2024