

Architectural Review Board

Decision and Record of Action –November 29, 2023

The City of Bexley's Architectural Review Board took the following action its special meeting on November 29, 2023:

BZAP - 23-23
2200 E Main Street
Ryan Pearson
Continental Real Estate Cos.

Request: Architectural review and recommendation from the Architectural Review Board to the Board of Zoning and Planning for a certificate of appropriateness for a new 6-story mixed use building to replace existing apartment structures at 2160, 2188 & 2186 E. Main St. (Parcel No.: 020-000836, 020-000217 & 020-000350) . The applicant is also seeking variances from the Bexley Board of Zoning and Planning from Bexley Code Sections 1254.13 and 1254.14 for parking and for a partial 6-story section of the building, and a Special Permit for the height of the proposed mixed use building.

- MOTION: The motion made by Ms. Strasser and seconded by Mr. Heyer for ARB to recommend to the Board of Zoning and Planning the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposed development at 2200 East Main Street subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. The applicant returns to the ARB with material boards and samples.
 - 2. Headlight screening be added to the parking lots where needed.
 - 3. The west drive on the site be redesigned to enhance the green space and allow substantial tree planting.
 - 4. The north and west elevations of the proposed building be reworked to lessen the massing, create better connection to the ground, screen the garage, and use more consistent materials.
 - 5. The height on the west and north elevations toward the rear of the site be reduced.
 - 6. The west elevation have more variation in the plane of the facade and the height.
 - 7. The ARB supports the addition of the 6th story architecturally to allow flexibility in lessening the overall massing of the building.
 - 8. Outdoor dining adjustments be reviewed by the ARB when a tenant is

secured.

9. The application be remanded back to ARB for final design review and approval and issuance of a final Certificate of Appropriateness.

The applicant, Ryan Pearson, agreed to the findings of fact.

VOTE: The Board voted to recommend to BZAP that a Certificate of Appropriateness for this application be approved subject to the nine conditions recommended by ARB by a vote of 5 – 0 by the following members: Mr. Hall - yes, Mr. Heyer - yes, Mr. Scott – yes; Ms. Strasser - yes, Ms. Toney - yes

RESULT: The ARB recommended the BZAP remand the Certificate of Appropriateness to ARB for final determination on the conditions identified by ARB and final approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Staff Certification: Recorded in the Official Journal this 29th day of November, 2023.

Kathy Rose, Zoning Officer

Karen Bokor, Design Consultant

cc: Applicant, File Copy