



**New Albany Architectural Review Board
July 12, 2021 Minutes**

New Albany Architectural Review Board met in regular session in the Council Chambers at Village Hall, 99 W Main Street and was called to order by Architectural Review Board Chair Mr. Alan Hinson at 7:00 p.m.

Those answering roll call:

Mr. Alan Hinson, Chair	Present
Mr. Francis Strahler	Absent
Mr. Jonathan Iten	Absent
Mr. Jim Brown	Present
Mr. E.J. Thomas	Absent
Mr. Andrew Maletz	Present
Ms. Sarah Briggs	Present
Mr. Michael Durik	Present

Staff members present: Steven Mayer, Development Services Coordinator; Mr. Chris Christian, Planner; and Josie Taylor, Clerk.

Moved by Mr. Maletz to approve the June 14, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon roll call: Mr. Maletz, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Ms. Briggs, yea; Mr. Hinson, yea. Yea, 4; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

Mr. Hinson asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Mr. Christian stated none from staff.

Mr. Hinson swore in those wishing to speak before the Architectural Review Board (hereafter, "ARB") this evening to tell the truth and nothing but the truth.

Mr. Hinson asked if there was anyone who wanted to discuss any items not on tonight's Agenda. (No response).

Mr. Christian provided instructions on how to use Zoom to make a comment via chat or voice.

**ARB-69-2021 Certificate of Appropriateness
Certificate of Appropriateness for a new canopy sign at 140 West Granville Street, west of the
McCoy Center (PID: 222-000922-00).
Applicant: The New Albany Community Foundation**

Mr. Christian presented the staff report.

Mr. Craig Mohre, President of the New Albany Community Foundation, discussed the project, its progress, and signage.

Ms. Marcy Gaber, New Albany Community Foundation, discussed the look of the signage being used.

Mr. Maletz asked if the signs would be backlit.

Ms. Gaber stated the signs would not have lights.

Mr. Hinson stated thank you.

Moved by Mr. Maletz to approve the certificate of appropriateness for ARB-69-2021, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon roll call vote: Mr. Maletz, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Ms. Briggs, yea; Mr. Hinson, abstain. Yea, 3; Nay, 0; Abstain, 1. Motion carried by a 3-0-1 vote.

Mr. Hinson asked if a member of the public on Zoom had a question or comment. (No response.)

Mr. Hinson asked if there was any other business.

Mr. Christian stated no.

Mr. Brown noted the amphitheater was progressing well and it would be a wonderful addition to the community.

Moved by Mr. Hinson to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Briggs. Upon roll call: Mr. Hinson, yea; Ms. Briggs, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea; Mr. Brown, yea. Yea, 4; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by Josie Taylor.

APPENDIX



Architectural Review Board Staff Report July 12, 2021

HINSON AMPHITHEATER—SIGNAGE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

LOCATION: 140 West Granville Street, west of the McCoy Center
(PIDs: 222-002915, 222-000104, 222-000141, 222-000228)

APPLICANT: The New Albany Community Foundation

REQUEST: Certificate of Appropriateness for new signage

ZONING: Urban Center Code—Campus sub-district and NACO 1998 PUD Subarea 4C:
Village Commercial

STRATEGIC PLAN: Village Center Mixed Use

APPLICATION: ARB-69-2021

Review based on: Application materials received June 25, 2021

Staff report prepared by Chris Christian, Planner.

I. REQUEST AND BACKGROUND

The applicant requests review and approval of a new canopy sign for the Hinson Amphitheater which is currently under construction at 140 West Granville Street, immediately west of the McCoy Center. The ARB reviewed and approved the development and modifications on September 9, 2019 and on May 11, 2020 (ARB-67-2019). Construction of the amphitheater is nearing completion with an anticipated opening date in August of this year.

Per Section 1157.07(b) any major environmental change to a property located within the Village Center requires a certificate of appropriateness issued by the Architectural Review Board. In considering this request for new signage in the Village Center, the Architectural Review Board is directed to evaluate the application based on criteria in Chapter 1157 and Chapter 1169.

II. SITE DESCRIPTION & USE

The building site is located in two different zoning districts, Urban Center Code (Campus sub-area) and the NACO 1998 PUD Subarea 4C: Village Commercial. The development consists of 1.7 acres and is currently undeveloped. The amphitheater will be owned and maintained by the city and the Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA) will be responsible for special events and performances programming held at the venue. The amphitheater is anticipated to be open in August of this year.

III. EVALUATION

A. Certificate of Appropriateness

The ARB's review is pursuant to C.O. Section 1157.06. No environmental change shall be made to any property within the Village of New Albany until a Certificate of Appropriateness has been properly

applied for and issued by staff or the Board. Per Section **1157.07 Design Appropriateness**, the modifications to the building and site should be evaluated on these criteria:

1. *The compliance of the application with the Design Guidelines and Requirements and Codified Ordinances.*
 - Per the city sign code section 1169.14(a) each building or structure in the Campus sub-district shall be allowed three (3) sign types including, but not limited to: canopy, awning and wall signs.
 - The applicant is proposing to install one canopy sign on the canopy of the stage dome with the following dimensions:

Canopy Sign

- City sign code chapter 1169.16(c) permits a maximum area of 75% of the available canopy face and one sign per face with a maximum lettering height of 18 inches. External, halo and internal illumination are allowed. The applicant proposes to install one canopy sign with the following dimensions:
 - a. Lettering Height: The tallest lettering height is 15 inches [meets code].
 - b. Area: less than 75% of the canopy face [meets code]
 - c. Location: centered at the top of the stage dome [meets code]
 - d. Lighting: none proposed [meets code].
 - e. Colors: black, total of one [meets code].
 - f. Material: CNC routed acrylic [meets code]
 - The sign will read “Charleen & Charles Hinson Amphitheater”.
 - C.O. 1169.16(c)(2) states that canopy signs must be mounted directly on the canopy face with individual lettering that is flush with the canopy face. The applicant proposes to use individual letters that will be mounted directly to the face of the canopy.
2. *The visual and functional components of the building and its site, including but not limited to landscape design and plant materials, lighting, vehicular and pedestrian circulation, and signage.*
 - The canopy sign is an appropriate sign type for this building and site and is appropriately located in the center of the canopy face.
 3. *The distinguishing original qualities or character of a building, structure, site and/or its environment shall not be destroyed.*

The sign is appropriately located above the canopy face and does not block any architectural features.
 4. *All buildings, structures and sites shall be recognized as products of their own time.*
 - The building is a product of its own time and as such should utilize signs appropriate to its scale and style, while considering its surroundings. The sign is appropriately designed and scaled for this building.
 5. *Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship which characterize a building, structure or site shall be created with sensitivity.*
 - Not Applicable
 6. *The surface cleaning of masonry structures shall be undertaken with methods designed to minimize damage to historic building materials.*
 - Not Applicable

7. *Wherever possible, new additions or alterations to structures shall be done in such a manner that if such additions or alterations were to be removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the original structure would be unimpaired.*
 - It does not appear that the sign will affect the original structure, if removed or altered in the future.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this application provided that the ARB finds that the proposal meets sufficient basis for approval. The proposed canopy sign is appropriate for on the amphitheater's dome, is appropriately designed to match the scale of the site and building, and is consistent with the individual lettering sign used on the McCoy Center. The proposed sign will provide proper identification for both pedestrians and vehicles while being sensitive to the character of this development.

V. ACTION

Should the Architectural Review Board find sufficient basis for approval the following motion would be appropriate. Conditions of approval may be added.

Suggested Motion for ARB-69-2021:

Move to approve Certificate of Appropriateness ARB-69-2021

Approximate Site Location:



Source: Google Earth