

MINUTES
Meeting of the
Ross Advisory Design Review Group

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Video and audio recording of the meeting is available online at the Town's website at:
townofross.org/meetings.

1. 7:00 p.m. Commencement

Mark Kruttschnitt called the meeting to order. Josepha Buckingham, Mark Fritts, and Stephen Sutro were present. Dan Winey was absent. Planning and Building Director Patrick Streeter and Planner Matthew Weintraub representing staff were present.

2. Open Time for Public Comments

No public comments were submitted.

3. Old Business – None.

4. New Business

a. SUBAY, LLC Residence – 1 Upper Road

Applicant: Andrew Mann Architecture

Owner: SABUY, LLC

DESCRIPTION: The applicant is requesting approval of a Design Review Amendment to revise a previously approved project to add a new box dormer to the east elevation of the main house, and to modify the trash enclosure and wall along Upper Road.

Planner Weintraub introduced the project. Project Architect Andrew Mann and Landscape Architect Todd Cole described the project. No public comments were received. ADR Group Members discussed the merits of the project.

The ADR Group Members unanimously recommended that the proposed project was consistent with Design Review standards and guidelines. Mark Kruttschnitt closed the hearing.

b. Sweeny Residence – 70 Ivy Drive

Applicant: Imprints Landscape Architecture

Owner: Charlotte & Doug Sweeny

DESCRIPTION: The applicant is requesting approval of a Variance and Design Review to construct a new pool measuring 16 feet by 46 feet (736 square feet) and associated coping, a new 7-foot-tall fence, new stone patios, walkways, and stairs, and a new

house deck located within the minimum required yard setbacks for an existing single family residence. The proposed project also includes: constructing new low fences and retaining walls; replacing a decomposed granite patio with a new low-water turf area; replacing the existing driveway; installing new landscape plantings; and removing five trees.

Planner Weintraub introduced the project and summarized public comments received including: 3 written comments stating support (Steve Daane & Sheryl Garrett at 63 Ivy Drive; Julian & Geoff Nichol at 8 Hill Road; Michael & Judy Phillips at 59 Ivy Drive); 1 written comment stating objection regarding concerns about potential privacy impacts (Melinda & Ward Ching at 102 Ivy Drive); 1 written comment stating both general support and concern about potential construction impacts on circulation and the road surface (Andrea & Daniel Elkort at 100 Ivy Drive). Landscape Architect Brad Eigsti described the project and addressed the public comments. Property owners Charlotte & Doug Sweeny described the background and intent of the project. Ward Ching at 102 Ivy Drive provided public comment stating objection regarding concerns about potential privacy impacts. ADR Group Members discussed the merits of the project. ADR Group Members stated concerns about the proposed new pool location with respect to the neighbor and the street and discussed potential remedies and mitigation measures.

The ADR Group Members unanimously recommended that the proposed project was not consistent with Design Review standards and guidelines. Mark Kruttschnitt continued the hearing.

5. Communications

a. Staff

Director Streeter announced the June 16 ADR Group Regular Meeting; and reported ADR Group Member current term end dates and upcoming announcement for open positions.

b. Advisory Design Review Group – None.

6. Approval of Minutes – None.

Mark Kruttschnitt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Josepha Buckingham seconded the motion. The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:29 PM.