

City of Takoma Park
Façade Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 18 2020

Members Present: Nicholas Corcoran, Anne Fothergill, Lorraine Pearsall, Malcolm Williams

Members Absent: Bobbi Kittner, Eric Sepler, Lucy Moore

Staff Present: Roz Grigsby

Alternate: Jim DiLuigi (absent)

1. Call to Order

2. Project Reviews

a. 6950 Carroll Avenue – Bank of America signage

The Board discussed the sign application which they had reviewed and approved with conditions at the December 2019 meeting. Pearsall attend the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission meeting the following evening, on February 12. With new information, the Board reviewed the application again and passed the following resolution:

The Board voted to disapprove the application as submitted for this 1927 Beaux Arts building, an outstanding and rare resource in Takoma Park, with the following comments:

- 1. The box style signage with the white background is architecturally incompatible with the building.**
- 2. The height of the sign violates the 30-inch maximum as specified in the Approved and Adopted Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation Takoma Park.**
- 3. As part of the signage and rebranding package, the obscurement of the “Takoma Park Bank” sign on the Carroll Avenue façade should be removed and the limestone should be repaired and restored. The white panel covering part of the original letters is the vestige of a previous sign on the building. See attached news articles showing the original sign.**

3. Adjourn

A video recording of the meeting is available on-line:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tmZy9x9Q3vA&feature=youtu.be>