DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC) COMMENT REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 11, 2018

APPLICANT: 400 NE Third Avenue, LLC.

PROJECT NAME: Pearl Flagler Village Signage

CASE NUMBER: R18062

REQUEST: Site Plan Level II Review: Signage in Downtown Regional Activity Center

LOCATION: 400 NE 3rd Avenue

ZONING: Regional Activity Center - City Center (RAC-CC)

LAND USE: Downtown Regional Activity Center (D-RAC)

CASE PLANNER: Tyler LaForme
Case Number: R18062

CASE COMMENTS:

Please provide a FBC compliant structural design for the sign.

GENERAL COMMENTS

The following comments are for informational purposes. Please consider the following prior to submittal for Final DRC:

1. The Florida Building Code shall apply to the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures.

2. All projects must consider safeguards during the construction process. Florida Building Code Chapter 33 delineates various safeguards that may apply during the construction phase. All structures associated with the protection of pedestrians will require a separate permit. A licensed professional must sign and seal the plans and specifications.

3. The City of Fort Lauderdale is a participating municipality in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The requirements specific to the City of Fort Lauderdale can be found in Chapter 14 - FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT of the Code of Ordinances and accessed at; a. https://www.municode.com/library/fl/fort_lauderdale/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_CH14FLMA

Please consider the following prior to submittal for Building Permit:


General Guidelines Checklist is available upon request.
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CASE COMMENTS:

Prior to Final DRC sign-off, please provide updated plans and written response to the following review comments:

1. More prominently depict on plans location of proposed banner in relation to Right of Way.

2. Provide additional information/narrative regarding the installation of proposed sign and whether or not right of way/public sidewalk will be impacted and if closure will be required.

3. Please be advised an Engineering Maintenance of Traffic (GMOT) permit is required for any roadway lane closure, re-routing of traffic and, sidewalk pedestrian closure or re-routing. City Right-of-Way closure over 72 hours requires an Revocable License Agreement, processed by Property Right-Of-Way Committee (DRC) and approved by the City’s Commission, prior to Right-of-Way permit issuance by the Department of Sustainable Development for Maintenance of Traffic.

   Prior to submitting Administrative Review (i.e. DRC Level I) application to request Revocable License Agreement, please contact Dennis Girisgen at 954-828-5123 or dbrisgen@fortlauderdale.gov to discuss proposed scope of closure within City Right-of-Way.

4. For Engineering General Advisory DRC Information, please visit our website at https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=30249

5. Additional comments may be forthcoming at the DRC meeting.
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CASE COMMENTS:

NO COMMENTS

General Comments

NONE
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CASE COMMENTS:
Please provide a response to the following:

1) The applicant is strongly encouraged to contact neighbors adjacent to, as well as condominium and neighborhood associations located within three hundred feet (300’) of the development site, to advise of this proposal (a listing of officially-recognized neighborhood associations is provided on the City’s website: http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/neighbors/civic-associations). Please provide acknowledgement and/or documentation of any public outreach.

2) The site is designated as Downtown Regional Activity Center on the City’s Future Land Use Map. The proposed use is permitted in this designation. This is not a determination on consistency with Comprehensive Plan Goals, Objectives and Policies.

3) Verify that copy of plat is the most current recorded plat, including notes and amendments, for the proposed site. Provide documentation from the Broward County Planning Council verifying that the site does not require platting or replatting. If replatting or platting is not required, contact the Development Review Services Section of the Planning and Environmental Regulation Division of Broward County at (954) 357-6637 to ensure that proposed project is consistent with the latest recorded plat restriction.

4) The Site Plan Level II Downtown sign review process allows applicants to request signage that may not be permitted by right via existing code. While it is intended to provide more flexibility, signs should generally align with the vision for Downtown. The Downtown Master Plan establishes a vision for a dense, active urban core focused on a strong human-scale relationship to the public realm and promotes design principles that foster a more walkable downtown with street level activity and comfortable pedestrian paths, plazas and open space.

Oversized signs, numerous small signs, signs containing a clutter of letters or messages, all compete for the public’s attention. Other common problems include quality of fabrication (materials such as plastic or vinyl are not high-quality materials), poor selection of type, faces and colors, illumination options, and placement, style, and sizing that bear no relation to the adjacent building’s architecture.

Sign types and materials must be carefully selected to maintain durability and enhance the public realm throughout the Downtown. Respond to this comment by providing a written narrative outlining the design approach used for the proposed signs consistent with the Downtown Master Plan overall vision, as stated in the comment above.

5) Per the ULDR Section 47-22.11.N.2, Special Promotion signs, which has been identified in the narrative, banner signs are permitted at any place of business for a maximum of thirty (30) days. Provide a more detailed reasoning for the request of having three banner signs installed on the building for a period of twenty-four (24) months. Staff recommends that the banners be installed for a maximum of ninety (90) days.

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6) Provide a written response to all DRC comments within 180 days.
7) An additional follow-up coordination meeting may be required to review project changes necessitated by the DRC comments. Prior to routing your plans for Final DRC sign-off, please schedule an appointment with the project planner (Tyler Laforme 954-828-5633) to review project revisions and/or to obtain a signature routing stamp.

8) Additional comments may be forthcoming at the DRC meeting.