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                 LAURA RAFFIANI, CHAIRPERSON
ENDA MCINTYRE, MEMBER
CARLOS GARCIA-BOU, MEMBER
JENNIFER NEMECEK, MEMBER
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                  EASTCHESTER EMPLOYEES IN ATTENDANCE:
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JAY KING, BUILDING INSPECTOR
CAROL PINTO, SECRETARY
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a motion to approve the minutes for the
   September 5th, 2019 minutes.
           MS. NEMECEK: Second.
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           THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.
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            THE CHAIRPERSON: Also, I would like
   to make a motion to approve the November 7th,
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   2019 minutes.
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            MS. NEMECEK: Second.
            THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.
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            (All ave.)
            THE CHAIRPERSON: Our first item on
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   the agenda this evening under old business,
   Application 18-44, for 51 Joyce Road.
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            MR. STRICKER: Good evening, Jason
   Stricker, homeowner 51 Joyce Road, Eastchester.
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            We made some changes since the last
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   meeting. We added the grids in all the
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   windows, molding around the windows, a crown on
   top, the stone work in the front. We have
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   another siding, cedar -- fake cedar siding on
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   the top with an AZEK trim board going across
   with a louver vent. This is the left and right
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THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make

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1 EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 2 THE CHAIRPERSON: Good evening, everyone, and welcome to the Architectural Review Board meeting for February 6th, 2020. If you would all please stand for the Pledge of ß Allegiance. 7 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance 8 was said.) 9 THE CHAIRPERSON: Margaret, if you 10 could do the roll call. 11 MS. UHLE: Sure. Carlos Garcia-Bou. 12 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Here. 13 MS. UHLE: Enda McIntyre. MR, MCINTYRE: Here. 14 15 MS. UHLE: Laura Raffiani. 16 THE CHAIRPERSON: Here. 17 MS. UHLE: Jennifer Nemecek. 18 MS. NEMECEK: Here. 19 MS. UHLE: Silvio Luca is not able to 20 attend this evening. 21 THE CHAIRPERSON: We have some minutes 22 to approve. I'm not sure, Margaret, who needs 23 to be here. Are we good to approve those both

EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 sides. In the back, we have more of the grids 2 and trim work with crown moldings on the top to 3 spruce up the house. 5 THE CHAIRPERSON: I know just going from the as is and the newly adjusted, were 6 7 these little oval --8 MS. UHLE: The louvers? THE CHAIRPERSON: Yes, the vent. Were 9 10 they there on the original or was there 11 something else? 12 MR. STRICKER: It was a screen, like a 13 4 foot screen and lattice. 14 MS. UHLE: I don't think those were shown before; right? That's been a detail 15 16 that's been added. If you look at the 17 as-built, they added the louvers there. THE CHAIRPERSON: But it wasn't from 18 19 the original either? MS. UHLE: I don't recall that. 20 MR. STRICKER: Also, on top this 21 22 picture window we added more grids. It separates it out to make it look like three 23 casement windows to break up the big window on 24 25 top of the door.

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MS. UHLE: Yes, you are.

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	5 		EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020
1	EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020	1	there on that green paper that you have in
2	THE CHAIRPERSON: I think that the	2	front of you.
	crown molding on the windows helps for sure. I	3	MS. UHLE: They gave us full
	guess this does break it up a little bit, that	4	photographs as well.
	really, really large window, but I don't know	5	THE CHAIRPERSON: So this is the
6	if it's going to do the trick.	6	original and the as built. So that's what that
7	Any comments from the board?	6	is going to be added onto.
8	MR. GARCIA-BOU: You don't have a	8	MR. MCINTYRE: So the intermediate
9	sample of the stone, do you?	9	grills, what's the thickness of those
10	MR. STRICKER: Excuse me.	10	intermediate grills on that window?
11	MR. GARCIA-BOU: The stone that you're	11	MR. STRICKER: On the long grill, it
12	proposing.	12	says two and a half inch. These up and down?
13	MR. STRICKER: The stone is on here.	13	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.
	I don't have a sample. He has written it down	14	MR. STRICKER: On the long grills, it
15	as F6 thin stone veneer Eldorado stone	15	says two and a half inch. These up and down?
16	mountain ledge panel pioneer. I think it's in	16	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.
17	gray.	17	MR, STRICKER: Two and a half inch.
18	THE CHAIRPERSON: This is the stone	18	THE CHAIRPERSON: You're talking about
19	that was included in the January submission.	19	
20	MS. UHLE: I think the architect had	20	the ones on all the windows? MR. MCINTYRE: No, on those
21	samples with him at that time and we weren't	21	
22	here, and now he's not here.	22	specifically because you look at that window
23	THE CHAIRPERSON: I'm looking for the	23	and it's almost, you know THE CHAIRPERSON: It's made to look
24	pictures of the existing home.	24	
25	MR. STRICKER: I have on the other	25	like a three window. DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER
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ļ	6	٦	EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020
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2	side the existing home rendering.	2	inches, I think, you know, its got a little bit
3	MS. UHLE: Just the as built drawings.	3	of meat on that where it looks like it's almost
4	MR. STRICKER: Just the as built.	4 -	three windows.
5	THE CHAIRPERSON: The drawings but not	5	MR. STRICKER: Right.
6	the photographs	6	MR. STRICKER. RIGHG
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MS. UHLE: He did not construct the stone, but at one of the past meetings board members said we would like you to implement the stone that we approved previously. In terms of the colors and materials, you essentially approved those previously.

MR. MCINTYRE: But the windows, the trim, all of that?

MS. UHLE: That was done differently. There are modifications compared to the approved plans.

THE CHAIRPERSON: I think what I'm going to do is run down the notes that you had provided for us, Margaret, because I think it will help all of us here and in the audience.

We asked you to provide a photograph of the full front of the elevation, which you did provide that, that one that we have.

We asked you for these additional changes:

Adding grids to all of the windows, which you have. The windows on all elevations appear to be out of balance and scale -- that

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was our comment -- add shutters and/or molding, et cetera. Wider trim and crown molding has been added to all the windows. That's how that point was addressed.

The next point was revise the size, scale, and possible shape of the large picture window above the front door, and the board noted that a window of that size would not have been approved under any circumstances and that it is out of scale with the house and the other windows. Your solution to that was, wider trim, crown molding, grills, and wide grill strips added to the existing window. That's how that was addressed.

Next point was adding cedar shakes to the front right and left elevations, which you have, as you pointed out before, provided. Louver vents have been provided in these locations as well.

The following point was, keep the originally proposed stone foundation along the front elevation, which you did put that back in.

> Provide clear proposed elevations DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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without notes or the clouds or whatever, which 2 you have. 3

The last point that we made was that the elevations lack details that unified it, enhance the aesthetics of the overall design of 6 the addition and alterations, and we had 7 requested that you work with the architect to 8 develop these details and not rely solely on 9 the comments of the board. 10

MS. UHLE: They did provide the trellis structure over the window and some sconce details that didn't make it into my notes.

THE CHAIRPERSON: So that is something that was different as well on that new --

MS. UHLE: Compared to the as built drawings, yes.

THE CHAIRPERSON: So are we ready to accept this version of the re-creation of this?

MR. MCINTYRE: Well, I wasn't here for the January meeting, but I do recollect this application that came before us. I'm a little perplexed that, you know, after this process, that this is kind of where we've ended up. In

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my experience as a member of this board, I think it's a first that, you know, we're sort 3

of at this juncture looking at an application 4

that was approved and that, you know, so many

sort of changes were made as part of the whole

sort of construction process. So it sort of 7

questions, you know, the decisions that were

made as part of the process and, you know, the 9

input of this board and the Planning Board to 10

kind of suddenly be in this sort of situation 11

now where all of these modifications have to 12

made at this stage. I'm sure it's, you know, 13

an inconvenience for you as the homeowner also, 14

but it's just a little disappointing.

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MR. STRICKER: To that defense, like most of the stuff that was approved in the original ARB meeting has gone back. The only thing that I think really right now that really has changed since the beginning of time is this window. It was supposed to be an oval window and now it's a, you know, bigger window. Everything else went back. The siding on the

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side, the cedar shake, the stone in the front, 24 25

everything pretty much has gone back to what

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	you originally approved except for one window,	2	conditions, but, you know, other than some sort
3	and maybe these were supposed to be casement	3	of cosmetic enhancements, architectural
4	windows and they're I mean they're supposed	4	enhancements, you know, I still have my sort of
5	to be double hung and they're casement windows.	5	initial opinions on the application.
6	That's pretty much all the changes from the	6	THE CHAIRPERSON: Are you referring to
7	original ARB meeting that really has changed.	7	the original one that was approved?
8	MR. MCINTYRE: Wasn't there like	8	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes. I'm talking about
9	various zoning variances that were required	9	when it came before us initially. It went
10	after the home was built?	10	forward, you know, this board voted, and there
11	MR. STRICKER: Well, there was a back	11	was a sort of positive vote to pass it on to
12	patio put on, and it made too much impervious	12	the Planning Board, but again, I'm just sort of
13	surfaces so we had to come back.	13	airing my
14	THE CHAIRPERSON: The front porch came	14	MS. UHLE: You're sure you're
15	out further than what was approved.	15	recalling the original drawing?
16	MR. STRICKER: By about a foot.	16	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.
17	MS. UHLE: The applicant was before	17	MS. UHLE: Okay.
18	the Zoning Board for a couple of meetings, and	18	MR. MCINTYRE: I just think it's out
19	the Zoning Board very clearly expressed their	19	of scale, I think there is some disproportion.
20	concern about the fact that the applicant had	20	Again, it's my opinion and position as a board
21	constructed certain things prior to receiving	21	member, but, you know, here we are. THE CHAIRPERSON: Other members, any
22	amended approval, because people can change	22	
23	things out in the field, they're just supposed	23	comments?
24	to come back beforehand. So they heard that	24	(No comments.) THE CHAIRPERSON: Let's open the
25	from the Zoning Board, and the Zoning Board	25	DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER
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	14 EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020	1	EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020
1		2	public meeting because it was not closed. We
2	still did grant additional variances, and then they came here actually originally in November	3	don't have to open it, it's still open.
3	when a lot of the issues that you're bringing	4	Is there anyone here from the audience
4	up now were discussed in detail with the	5	that would like to comment on this application?
5 6	applicant at that time. We did not have the	6	(No comments.)
7	meeting in January, but Laura spoke to the	7	THE CHAIRPERSON: Are there any more
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25 improvements based on the existing as built

EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 THE CHAIRPERSON: In an effort to get along to the other applications this evening, I make a motion to move Application 18-44 along to the Planning Board with a recommendation for a reluctant approval from this board. It is better. We wish that that window was smaller, but this is better than what is the as built. So that's our recommendation to the Planning

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Board. MR. STRICKER: Thank you. THE CHAIRPERSON: Second. MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor. MS. NEMECEK: Aye. THE CHAIRPERSON: Aye. MR. GARCIA-BOU: Aye.

> THE CHAIRPERSON: You're opposed? MR. MCINTYRE: Yes, I'm opposed to it. THE CHAIRPERSON: Next up is

Application 19-48, 30 Lake Shore Drive. MR. IANNACITO: Good evening. My name is John Iannacito, I'm an architect, and I'm

representing Mr. and Mrs. Assalone, the owners of the subject property. We are proposing a

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 new single family residence at 30 Lake Shore Drive, and the footprint of the new residence is highlighted here on the survey.

The proposed house will be two stories with a three car garage and six bedrooms. At the front of the house, we'll have a new driveway that will slope down into a parking court, and from the parking court there will be access to the three car garage, front entry portico, and a covered side porch with a mud room entrance.

At the rear, we are proposing a series of retaining walls that will create a two tier outdoor space around the proposed swimming pool that will have two vanishing edges here and here. The lower outdoor -- actually, the upper outdoor area will be about 12 inches down from the first floor, and it will provide access to the pool, the pool house, and an outdoor barbecue bar area. The lower outdoor space will provide a secondary sitting area, and it

will be located about five and a half feet down

from the first floor, and it will provide views

back to the pool and the cascading water from DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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the vanishing edge of the pool. Also, from

that level there will be stairs down to the side yard, which will provide access to the

basement entrance, and stair at the rear to

provide access to the rear yard and access to

7 the lake.

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Here we have a street-scape drawing which shows the neighboring properties in relation to the vacant lot that's there today, and then the proposed house in relation to the existing houses.

The first floor elevation of the 13 proposed house will be set 5 feet lower than 14 the adjacent properties. This site slopes 15 down, so the driveway is going to slope down to 16 the courtyard and the first floor of the 17 proposed house will be set lower than the two 18 adjacent houses. This will allow us to meet 19 the requirements for the maximum height on the 20 house. 21

THE CHAIRPERSON: I know it shows you like in the street-scape, but it seems that this property is -- like the facade of the

building, will it be -- because of the garage 25

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the same point of the facade on the nearby 3

buildings or will it be further in? 4

MR. IANNACITO: It will be further 5 back. The actual garage facade will probably 6

be similar to the adjacent property. 7

THE CHAIRPERSON: The side or front 8

facing part of the garage? 9

MR. IANNACITO: Yes. This part of the 10

garage right here will be closest to the 11

street. I can show you that from this 12

elevation. So this facade here will be closest 13

to the street, and then the driveway slopes 14

down and the house is set further back. 15

THE CHAIRPERSON: Do you kind of think

that the facade of the garage is in line with 17

the facade of the other homes or is it 18

somewhere in between? 19

MR. IANNACITO: It's pretty close because it's set at the -- the facade of the

garage is set 37 feet back from the property 22

line, and the other houses on either side are 23

approximately between 30 and 35 feet set back. 24 The garage facade is at 37 feet, and then the

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 house is an additional 40 feet further back. Also, here's a site plan. On the section through the site it shows the street elevation, and then the driveway sloping down to the parking court.

THE CHAIRPERSON: I'm sorry. MR. IANNACITO: These are the site sections showing the street with the driveway sloping down to the parking court for the garage, then the two story residence, retaining walls which will enclose the pool area, and the tiered outdoor spaces, and then the rest of the site will continually slope towards the lake. So the street elevation is at 212 and the lake elevation is at 180. It's a pretty big drop down to from the street down to the lake.

THE CHAIRPERSON: I know that these drawings were very helpful.

MR. IANNACITO: I'm going to get to those. I just wanted to go through the site sections and the facade. Now I'll go to the renderings because they're probably easier to understand.

> Here is the rendering of the front of DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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the house which shows the driveway sloping down to a parking court, which will provide access

to the three car garage, the entry portico, and 4

the covered side entrance for the mud room 5

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It also shows the finished materials. The finished materials will be, on the wall surfaces we'll have a combination of a three coat stucco in a pewter finish, and a stone veneer in an ash land finish, which is a

11 grayish and black stone which I have a sample 12

of. The roof surfaces will be asphalt in a 13

charcoal black finish. The windows will be 14

clad vinyl with a black finish. The trims will 15

be painted AZEK in a white finish. The columns 16

will be painted AZEK in a white finish. The 17

railings will be metal in a black finish. The 18

gutters and leaders will be aluminum in a white 19

finish. The front entry door will be 20

fiberglass in a black finish, and the overhead 21

doors will also be fiberglass with a black 22

finish. 23

Here are some additional renderings 24 showing the sides and the rear. This is a

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rendering along the left side of the house showing the sloping site down to the lake, the new retaining walls creating the upper and lower tiered patios, and the pool with the

vanishing edge on two sides. 6

This is an overhead shot at the rear showing the house, the patios and the pool, and then a rendering of the right side, again showing the pool with the vanishing edge on two sides, the lower and upper patio area, steps down to the side yard, which will provide an entrance to the basement around the corner here, and then steps back up to the front yard.

So we also have a 3D video that I can play, which will show you the entire property. Gary is going to zoom in over here.

Here you have the courtyard with the garage access, the left side of the house, retaining walls with the upper and lower terrace, pool with the two vanishing edges. The water will cascade over the side and into a 22 lower trough area. Then the right side with access to the basement, and then steps back up to the front yard.

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With me tonight is Mark Benedict, the 2 landscape architect, so he will go through the 3 landscape plans, and then we'll answer any 4 5 questions that you have.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Good evening.

MR. BENEDICT: Good evening. We 7 wanted to keep the front very clean and classic looking, a lot of Green Boxwood Iliac, low plantings, nothing too high in the front, a 10 couple of Southern Magnolia trees and lawn so 11

that it's pretty much open and inviting.

The left side of the property right 13 now is pretty open to the property next door. 14 There's only a couple of rough shrubs here and 15 there. So to camouflage some of the walls and 16

this side of the house, I thought a nice hedge 17

of either Arborvitae or Cherry Laurel,

something like, that to kind of camouflage that 19

a little bit, soften up the property lines. 20

On the right side, there are a lot of 21 larger trees, there are two or three large 22 White Pines and some others. I would like to 23 see if we could keep some of that once the 24 construction starts. Again, underneath maybe 25

EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 2 something like Rhododendron because that's going to be shadier that side of the house, Rhododendron, Skip Laurels, maybe some Norway Spruce to soften up that property line.

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There's some Boxwood along the front of the house here along these walls, maybe some Hydrangea and Boxwood against this side of the garage.

Going to the back, on the back patio, again some low plantings of Boxwoods and maybe some perennials or Boxwood up on this first tier to soften this area up a bill bit.

Then you go down the steps to the lower or mid area, all lawn throughout here, lawn at the top, lawn checkerboard as you saw at the top here, and then maybe some again Hydrangea possibly mixed with some Skip Laurel or Cherry Laurel, again that green and white theme that we continue with.

Then all the way to the back of the property line, the 15 foot of native grasses and shrubs. I've got a list with me here. Just something very simple, Pennisetum, Miscanthus, some Viburnum possibly. Just

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of color, fall and spring color, whatever, you 3

know, is typical in this area. 4 5

That's it. Very simple.

THE CHAIRPERSON: I'm not sure if this question is for you or for the architect or both, but the driveway is such a huge mass of stone, did you consider, perhaps, using more pervious green like they used at the water facility down the way?

MR. IANNACITO: I guess we could. 12 Will that give us a credit for coverage because 13 that would be good. 14

MS. UHLE: Again, for coverage it would still be considered impervious surface, but for drainage you could use it in the drainage calculations.

MR. BENEDICT: How does that hold up 19 to snow removal and things like that? 20

THE CHAIRPERSON: I think you have to go to that property. There's a property very close by, the water company, the facility or whatever they call that station there.

> MS. UHLE: The pump station. Jay and DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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I would have to look at zoning compliance

because the law specifically says driveways

must be paved. That is a kind of a grass creek 4 paver.

MR. IANNACITO: We tried to minimize 6 it as much as possible, the driveway. We 7

didn't just do a backup area into the -- first

of all, we couldn't pave it because we would 9

have been over the maximum allowable, but we 10

just created enough space for the cars to pull 11

12 in and out of the garage and turn around. It

13 is going to be lower than the street elevation.

There are retaining walls down both sides of 14

15 the driveway that will create walls along this courtyard, and there will be plantings there. 16

I think the plants and the walls will help 17

soften up that large paved area. We also have 18

some lawn inside the driveway. 19

MS. NEMECEK: In terms of the landscape, it's a lot of green, it's a lot of foundation planting, and I don't see a lot of 22 color. In your illustration I see something 23

that resembles like a Crape Myrtle, can you put 24

something like that in front? 25

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MR. BENEDICT: I wouldn't put Crape 2 Myrtle. I might do something else like some 3

more perennials. 4

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MS. NEMECEK: You have these two big green patches in the driveway that are just going to stay as lawn?

MR. BENEDICT: I'm sorry.

8 MS. NEMECEK: In our rendering here. 9

Maybe this is just the way the rendering is 10 done? 11

MR. BENEDICT: You're talking about in 12 here? 13

MS. NEMECEK: Yes.

MR. BENEDICT: We could definitely do 15 some lower plantings, sure. We could do some 16 perennials, some ground cover, Liriope or 17 something like that. 18

MS. NEMECEK: Liriope is okay but it's 19 kind of short. The Magnolias are nice but 20

they're green too. Everything is green, green, 21

green, green, green. Can you break it up with 22 some kind of color? 23

MR. BENEDICT: Sure. Because of the 24 look of the house, I wanted to keep it classic 25

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	will be a stucco band the same color as the	3	application?
	wall stucco, and it will stick out an about	3 4	MR. MCINTYRE: Anybody neighbors,
	nch.	4 5	anybody here?
5	MR. MCINTYRE: And windows sills,	6	(No comments.)
	again, similar to that point, are you having	7	THE CHAIRPERSON: Then I make a motion
7	window sills?	8	to close the public hearing for Application
8	MR. IANNACITO: Window sills we will	9	19-48.
	have, yes. There will be a stone sill.	10	MR. MCINTYRE: Second.
0	MR. MCINTYRE: They will project?	11	THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.
1	MR. IANNACITO: Beyond, yes. You need	12	(All aye.)
	that little trip edge at the sill.	13	THE CHAIRPERSON: Any other comments
3	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. I guess whatever		or questions regarding this application or
	sort of lighting, will they be recessed into	14 15	suggestions?
-	the underside of the eaves?	16	MR. GARCIA-BOU: I'm good.
6	MR. IANNACITO: I've shown lighting at	17	THE CHAIRPERSON: So then I would like
17	the garage, and then there will be lighting at	l	to make a motion to move Application 1948 along
18	each side of this door, which is behind the	18	to the Planning Board with a recommendation of
19	columns. We may also do down lights in this	19	approval. Margaret, there were no other
20	portico, and then there's lights in the rear at	20	MS. UHLE: The comments were if
21	the doors from the kitchen dining area, this is	21	possible to add more color to the landscape
22	a master bedroom which will walk out to the	22	plan, including but not necessarily limited to
23	pool patio, and then lights at the upper	23	the parking court, either perennials or
24	bedrooms which will open up to roof decks.	24	flowering shrubs. You had talked about
25	MS. NEMECEK: Will the pool have	25	DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER
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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 confusion, all of these homes were previously 2 approved by you and by the Planning Board, and they did go through a thorough architectural review and planning review process. It's just 5 that the approvals expired, and after they've 6 expired, applicants are required to come back 7 and seek new approvals.

No changes have been proposed since the prior approvals; correct?

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MR. FINELLI: Correct. Good evening. My name is Michael Finelli, I'm the architect for the project. This is a full lot subdivision that was before this board in October of 2017.

As Margaret said, we went through it, we reviewed the plans, the materials, the aesthetics, the home, all four homes, the site. We actually also went to Planning Board. We received approvals there as well. Mr. Cermele has reviewed the site plans, made comments. They've gone back and forth with the engineers. We've handled all comments and we were ready to build. The builder had the permits expire, they lapsed, and we're back here again. I'm DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 hoping to rubber stamp this and move it through. I'm willing to answer any questions that you might have.

I brought a couple of renderings that I had done very quickly to show you the colors that were approved, what they look like, the styles of the houses and some of the landscaping that we're proposing, very simple landscaping. We did not have a landscape plan with us at the first ARB. We actually had a 11 landscape architect on retainer, Anthony Zaino, 12 who actually gave me landscape plans to bring 13 with me this evening to hand out to you guy if 14 you would like to see them. I can't speak to 15 them because I'm not a landscape architect, but 16 I'm happy to distribute those. 17

Beyond that, I'm happy to answer any questions. I'm not sure how much more you want me to beat this to death, but I'm happy to do it.

MS. UHLE: Can you hand out the 22 landscape plans? 23

MR. FINELLI: Sure. 24

> MS, UHLE: Those were part of the DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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original approvals as well; correct? 2

MR. FINELLI: They were, yes. I have one that I mounted just to give you an idea and the people at home as to what's being proposed and what was approved. I normally have more to say than I do this evening, so, please, any questions I'm happy to answer.

THE CHAIRPERSON: If you could just go over the coloring on the ones that were approved.

11 MR. FINELLI: Sure. So the first 12 house, lot 1, 2, 3, and 4 as you go into the 13 property clockwise, this is how the houses will 14 sit. The first house is a gray stucco body. 15 We're doing a white AZEK trim, black roof. The 16 color, the gray is actually an oyster gray. 17 We're doing a black front door, white wrought 18 iron. All the trim will be white as well, 19 AZEK. We're doing a stained garage door which 20 you will only see from the Water Street side, 21 being that it's a two and a half story entrance 22 from the Water Street side to the back 23

right-hand corner, which is lot 3, this house 24

here, there's an 11 foot change in elevation. 25

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We used that slope to our advantage. Actually,

being that this is the narrowest, longest lot,

we put a driveway right in off of Water Street,

and we used that drop to our advantage and put 5 the garage underneath the house.

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From there, the house to the right of that, which is lot 2, it's HardiPlank siding, that's a Navaho beige, the color itself. It's going to have gray stucco finish at the base, white AZEK, black door, white trim all the way around, again, to keep that very consistent look throughout the house. 13

I decided to change it up a little bit when we got to lot 3. At the time, there was a specific reason for it. We took a Mediterranean and kind of modernized it a little bit. All the houses were specifically designed to mimic other houses in Eastchester. As you drive around, you're going to see one of these on just about every block in some form or function. Not necessarily the exact same house, but the styling, the size of the rake boards, they're all 8 inches, white gutters, 6

inch trim on all the windows, corner boards.

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 So just beefier looking finishes and detailing 2 for the houses. Simple but beefier so they 3 stand out a little bit more. Lot 2 will have a white door, an aluminum -- sorry, Clopay white fiberglass door. Lot 3 we're starting to mix materials now, we're coming in again with the 7 stucco on the second floor and we're doing more of a brownish colored stone, which I had a 9 sample and you guys liked it very much. I 10 don't recall the color, but I put a cut sheet 11 in the package I provided you guys. Then a 12 weathered wood roof to, again, not have them all look alike, to break up the look a little 14 bit. 15

Going on to lot 4, we're doing Monterey taupe is the name of the color, so it's a little bit of a darker beige. It's a lighter brown, darker beige. Six in one, half a dozen of the other. White trim, white door, charcoal roof. So the roofs will be just slightly different in color rather than having them all be black all the way through. One is 24 charcoal, one is black, I think the other one 25 is actually called oyster pearl, which is

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little bit lighter, more on the gray side.

I guess some of the comments the board had made to me that I can recall from two years ago, the porticos, I was specifically asked to

6 make them a little bit shorter. I guess the 7

proportioning -- actually, it was Silvio who 8

had commented specifically about that -- he 9

asked me to make the porticos a little bit 10

smaller. He asked me to add this detail across 11

the top of the garage door here on that house 12

to, I guess, extend the look of the garage and 13

give it a little bit more architectural 14

detailing rather than just having clapboard 15

coming across. Also, the window over the door 16

was set a little bit higher, we were trying to 17

set it higher in the foyer, he had asked to 18

bring it down a little bit, have all the window 19

heads align.

Again, all the points I'm talking to you about right now I agreed with, I thought they were good changes, good comments. This house in specific he had asked to maybe add some kind of copper or aluminum detail,

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standing seam detail at that roof. At the 2

time, it was just an asphalt roof. Again, I 3

agreed with it. I think it breaks it up a 4

little bit being that the garage is right 5

underneath it. It adds a little more character 6 to the house. 7

Beyond that, as far as the coloring, I 8 think you guys were pretty happy with it, the 9 Planning Board was happy, we're happy. 10

THE CHAIRPERSON: Happy to get going 11 on it, I'm sure. Any comments or questions? 12

We're still all good with it; right? 13

MR. MCINTYRE: It sounds like

everybody is happy. 15

THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make 16 a motion to move --17

MS. UHLE: There's still a public 18 hearing. I don't think anyone is here, but I 19 20 don't know.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Absolutely. I would 21 like to make a motion to open the public 22 hearing for Application --23

MS. UHLE: 19-49 1 through 19-49 4. 24

MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. 25

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THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor. 2

3 (All aye.)

THE CHAIRPERSON: Is there anyone here 4 who has any questions or comments for this 5 application?

(No comments.) 7

THE CHAIRPERSON: I make a motion to 8 close the public hearing for Application 19-49

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MR. MCINTYRE: Second.

THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.

(All aye.) 13

THE CHAIRPERSON: So then I would like to make a motion to pass along Application 19-49 1, 2, 3, 4 along to the Planning Board with a second recommendation of approval. All in favor.

(All aye.)

MR. FINELLI: Thank you very much.

Goodnight. 21

THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. On to 22 our next applicant, which is Application 19-45, Ridge Street. 24

MR. IANNACITO: Good evening, again.

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 My name is John Iannacito, I'm an architect, 2 and I'm representing Mr. and Mrs. Spatoliatore, 3 the owners of the subject property. We are 4 proposing additions and alterations to a single 5 family residence located at 52 Ridge Street. 6

The proposed scope of work will 7 include removal of an existing overhead door at 8 the basement level of the house and construct a 9 new covered porch along the front. We're also 10 proposing a second story addition over the 11 existing footprint at the rear, which is 12 highlighted here. We're proposing to remove 13 the existing roof and re-frame the entire roof 14 over the entire existing footprint of the 15 house, and we're proposing site alterations, 16 including reconfiguration of the existing 17 driveway at the front and the existing walkway 18 at the front. 19

This application was presented to the Zoning Board and an area variance was granted on January 14, 2020 for the front yard setback to the covered porch. The proposed front yard setback is 23.4 and the required is 30 feet, a deficiency of 6.6 feet, and that variance was

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Here we have the existing and proposed elevations. Here's the existing elevation with a small portico over the entry door and the garage overhead door at the basement level. So we're going to remove that garage door, fill in this area and construct a new open covered porch along the front. The door and the window on the first floor stay exactly the same, the two windows on the second floor stay the same, and then we're going to re-frame and reconfigure the roof to create additional storage space up in the attic.

Here is the right side elevation showing the new covered porch, the new roof profile from the side, and the second story addition at the rear. Currently, the chimney is very tall back here.

Here are the rear and left side, second story addition over the existing footprint, and the reconfigured roof over the existing main portion of the house, and then the left side showing the open porch and the reconfigured roof.

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1 Here's a rendering of the front facade 2 showing the exterior materials. The wall 3

surfaces will be new HardiePlank siding in an 4 arctic white finish. The existing brick veneer 5

at the first story level will remain and be

painted white. The roof surfaces will be 7

asphalt in a charcoal black finish. The

windows will be vinyl clad in a white finish. 9 Trim boards will be painted AZEK in a white

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finish. The columns will be painted AZEK in a 11 white finish. The railings will be composite

12 in a white finish. The shutters will be 13

composite in a black finish. The gutters and 14 leaders will be aluminum in a white finish. 15

Thank you for your time. I'm happy to answer any questions.

THE CHAIRPERSON: So that garage 18 that's going away is probably tiny and useless? 19

MR. IANNACITO: Yes. They can't fit a 20 car down there. They already have a wide 21

driveway in the front, so we're just going to 22 square it off. If you look at the site plan,

23 the dotted lines -- a lot of it is in the right 24

of way. This has a very large right of way, 25

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this property, for some reason. So we're just

going to square off this area and provide space 3

for two cars. Two cars have to fit on the

property. We can't show them out here. They

could probably fit four cars on this driveway

because it's so deep. We'll provide new 7

plantings between the walkway and the driveway

to try to screen that driveway a bit. I don't

know if it will be this type of planting but it 10 will be something similar. 11

THE CHAIRPERSON: So you're going to get rid of the all the hedges that's there?

MR. IANNACITO: Yes. We'll redo the landscape along the front.

MS. NEMECEK: And lighting, you're going to have lighting underneath?

MR. IANNACITO: Yes. These will be high hats in the porch area.

MR. MCINTYRE: Just as a matter of interest, what's the head height in the ceiling?

MR. IANNACITO: On the porch?

MR. MCINTYRE: No, in the basement. MR. IANNACITO: Probably about 7 feet.

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            MR. MCINTYRE: Are you looking to dig
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            MR. IANNACITO: No. We're going to
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   finish the basement, so the garage is going to
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            MR. MCINTYRE: That's a load bearing
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            MR, IANNACITO: Yes. So here's the
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            MR. MCINTYRE: Wouldn't you have to
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            MR, IANNACITO: We're going to put a
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so right now that existing beam rests on top of DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 that block wall. So where the block wall is being removed, we'll put a new steel column with a new footing.

that concrete block wall, which is actually not

the bearing wall because the framing is going

front to back. There is an existing beam here,

MR. GARCIA-BOU: Is that steel column going to be lower than 7 foot?

MR. IANNACITO: I'm not sure if the beam is flush framed or not, but it will be to code, whatever the code is.

MR. MCINTYRE: That's the reason I ask the question, because obviously it looks like 11 you're taking out that spine wall, which could 12 very well have some sort of structural integrity in terms of the, you know, existing 14 home, and, you know, if you've got a low ceiling height, which typically you would have in a home of this age, you know, maybe you're well off digging the basement out to maximize 18 your head height if you're doing all this work 19 as it is. Again, it's only a comment because I 20 just think you're going to have a restricted 21 head height there if, in fact --22

new beam where the wall is coming out. The

wall is going up and down the page here, so

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MR. IANNACITO: We're not putting a

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            MR. MCINTYRE: Listen, if you have the
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height, now is the time to do it in my opinion. 19 Again, it's neither here nor there. 20 MR. IANNACITO: We can explore that. 21

MR. MCINTYRE: It's nothing to do with 22 the purview of this board, but it's just a 23 question that I'm asking based on just looking

24 at the plans. 25

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52 EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 MS. NEMECEK: I think it's a great 2 renovation. I think you've given this house a lot of charm where it needed it. 4 THE CHAIRPERSON: From here to here is 5 6 night and day. MR. IANNACITO: It's going to look 7 much better now. 8 MR. MCINTYRE: Listen, it's a very 9 nice part of town, it's a really nice 10

neighborhood, and again, I think it's a credit 11 12 to your work and your practice and what you do. I think it's an absolute positive enhancement 13 to the neighborhood. Good job and kudos to you 14 and your client. 15

MR. GARCIA-BOU: I feel the same way. THE CHAIRPERSON: Great. So we should make a motion to open Application 19-45 for a public hearing.

MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.

(All aye.) 22

THE CHAIRPERSON: Anyone here have any 23 questions or comments about this application? 24 No? Questions, comments? 25

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53 EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 MR. MCINTYRE: Good, bad, indifferent. 2 (No comments.) 3 THE CHAIRPERSON: Then we'll make a 4 motion to close the public hearing for 5 Application 19-45. 6 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. 7 THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor. 8 (All aye.) 9 MR. MCINTYRE: Just one question. 10 Again, this sort of age old question; have you 11 located the air conditioning, the condensers on 12 the site plan? 13 MR. IANNACITO: I haven't, but I'll 14 put them in for the Planning Board. I believe 15 they to do have central air in the house. They 16 might not. We may be adding it in as part of 17 this application. I'll locate them for the 18 Planning Board. 19 THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make 20 a motion to send Application 19-45 along to the 21 Planning Board with a recommendation for 22 approval. 23 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. 24 THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor. 25 DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER 54

EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 (All ave.) 2 MR. IANNACITO: Thank you. 3 THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. 4 MR. MCINTYRE: Thank you. 5 THE CHAIRPERSON: Our next application 6 up is Application 20-03 for 777 White Plains 7 Road. Good evening. 8 MR. DILEO: Good evening. My name is 9 Lou DiLeo, Studio RAI Architects. This is an 10 application to continue an alteration that we 11 started with an existing building, the old Acme 12 Supermarket. We redesigned that to accommodate 13 the new DeCicco Supermarket. 14 There was a section of the building --15 if I refer you to the site plan -- as you're 16

driving up into the rear parking lot, the 17 right-hand side of the building in this little 18 section, which is not DeCicco's, was being left 19 alone. After speaking to the landlord and the 20 landlord wanting to improve the rest of the 21 building to match with the additions that we 22 were doing, we came up with an idea on how to 23 sort of tie everything together. So basically 24 from this corner all around to here will be a DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 very uniform and consistent facade with color 2 and details. 3

Additionally, right now there are a 4 couple of trees on this sidewalk, we're adding 5 some more trees and adding some lighting to up 6 light those trees as part of the landscaping. 7 The site plan is not being touched.

So right now basically this is 9 existing, there's an existing canopy sticking 10 out, and we're taking that, taking the material 11 off of it, exposing the front and creating 12 basically a steel channel and the bottom will 13 be a wood finish. If you refer to this plan, 14 this page A2 shows you more of less the 15 proposed. This is the existing and this is the 16 proposed. Again, the existing canopy we're 17 taking the aluminum siding off of it. The 18 soffit is like a stucco material and metal, 19 taking that off and using what's there to 20 create a new canopy. Again, it's going to be 21 sort of an exposed steel channel. We have some 22 brackets going back. This is the shape of the 23 bracket seemingly holding this canopy up. The 24

canopy holds up by itself, but we're going to DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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sort of resemble a little bit older theme of 2 canopies being held by turnbuckle kind of

3 4 brackets.

The side of the building right now 5 it's like a gravel -- I don't even know how to describe it -- it's a gravel stucco finish --7 you could barely see it -- it's going to be 8 re-stuccoed and the color will match the rest of the building. That's the idea of that. 10

THE CHAIRPERSON: When you say the rest of the building --

MR. DILEO: This right now it's basically like a board and batten aluminum 14 brown metal, you could see like that, so we're going to take all that off, stucco that, make that nice and clean, and there are a couple of windows that are remaining, staircase is remaining. So the front of the building is all stucco and it's got, you know, a couple of color bands, so that body of stucco will match.

Along that idea, Mr. Biddle is here 22 today, he's the owner of the building, we want 23

to paint the whole entire building. Our 24 project with the DeCicco section of the project 25

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THE CHAIRPERSON: So that's not what we have here though.

MR. DILEO: I did bring with me colors of the facade that we're thinking of just to run it by you. These are Benjamin Moore colors. There are a couple of things I would like to throw in if we could talk about that also.

Basically what's in front of you is this little section here to match the rest of our building. The work here is this canopy, the bottom will be wood, exposed wood. This shows blue but it's actually painted -- it's a gun metal -- I actually have the color -- it's a gun metal paint that resembles black. The rest of the building, whatever metal is left, which is back here, there will be a little bit of metal left, that was going to be painted the DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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In this section here, again, this area there are existing two trees, we're going to add another tree. There's planter boxes, we're going to add another one here. This will have some up light shining up on the trees. When you drive up to the supermarket, this will act as sort of a welcoming effect. So the whole back of the building will be consistent, and now that we have the opportunity to paint the whole entire building, all the stucco and banding could be really unified and get a chance to change the color a little bit, if possible.

This is the front view addressing this sort of L shape area. If I may talk about the color of the building. We have a couple of different renderings here. I don't know if you could see it. Basically, we want to get away from the yellow color and the sort of reddish maroon color and playing with those two colors. The brick it staying as is. We have a couple

of different versions. The band will always be 24

darker than the main body of the building.

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These are some historical Benjamin Moore colors 2 that the stucco company can match. I'm not

3 sure if you could see it from there. This is

the main body and trim, main body and trim, 5

main body and trim. This is the direction that

we would like to go, sort of leaning towards 7 the first one.

THE CHAIRPERSON: When you say trim, 9 you mean the band? 10

MR. DILEO: Yes, the band where the lettering is.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Where the maroon used to be or that mauve color used to be is the darker color?

MR. DILEO: The darker color. 16

MS. NEMECEK: The one you're leaning 17 towards is the top right? 18

MR. DILEO: Top left. 19

MS. NEMECEK: Top left. Okay. But

the rendering is --21

MR. DILEO: It's hard to get the 22 rendering exact. These are actual Benjamin 23

Moore colors. This one is this one, this one 24

is this one. As far as we're concerned, they

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1 all would be good to use. We like all of them. 2

Eventually, the white lettering, that's another

thing we would like to change. It's going to

take time to change that. The owner of the 5

building -- do you want to talk about that? 6

MR. MCINTYRE: All of the store signs? 7

MR. DILEO: The store signage. As a 8

concept right now it's all white and this sort

of background is going to be okay, but ideally 10

it will be a different color. They're all the 11

same, consistent throughout the whole complex, 12

but this is an opportunity to change everything 13

and sort of, you know, refresh.

14 THE CHAIRPERSON: That was part of the whole plan approval prior. We have a sign law 16 in the town of Eastchester that says that you are no longer allowed to have the raceway. 18 Giving you guys the okay to stay with the 19 raceway, we asked that you stuck with all the

20 white letters. Now, I know that's been an 21

issue with some of the tenants as well before, 22

they all want their own color, they want --23 MR. DILEO: Yes. Some want larger. 24

THE CHAIRPERSON: I do think that it

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MR. DILEO: Right. Here we actually changed the letters to a gray working with this background, which is this one here. The letters obviously pop out when the background is darker. If you go with a lighter background, the letters are going to have to be darker, the other way around. He asked to change the white letters to a color, not red, not blue, something, a gray a taupe.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Another option that maybe wasn't thought about back when you originally did it, if you look at Ann Taylor Loft and a few other signs in town, they are black, they're internally illuminated, so they're black during the day and at night the white light comes through. That's a good thing DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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MR. DILEO: I think the sign company was here yesterday with DeCicco's. I think he jumped a little bit too fast because I said we really should know the color of the building first before we start picking colors of letters. We'll have to come back with that.

I'll help him along with that. You were 10 questioning that, what's the color of the 11

building. We're at that point now that we need 12

to know that. Mr. Biddle mentioned to me 13

earlier, that he would sort of encourage the tenants as they leave to change or do something

15 else. The idea is to have all of the same

16 color. We agree with you. Do you want to say 17

a word about the sign? 18

MR. BIDDLE: Yes. There's another type of sign that we've had a lot of luck with which is, it's a raised panel sign. It has a box, right, that matches the color of what is

22 the finish behind, and then it has raised 23

letters that come out from that box. It's not 24

a channel letter sign, it's a whole unit. It's

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very attractive. Maybe I can provide you some pictures of some properties that we have it at.

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MR. BIDDLE: They're internally 6 illuminated. So during the day -- Wells Fargo 7 uses them. It will appear yellow during the day and at night it lights up in a yellow 9 color, but the background is a red, not an 10 illuminated red, that matches the color of the 11 building. It's just a much more elegant look 12 than those channel letter signs that stick out. 13

THE CHAIRPERSON: Or a traditional box sign. When you a say box, it's not a traditional box sign?

MR. BIDDLE: No, it's not a box sign that has illuminated panel with a colored Lexan. It's individual letters that have a reveal that come out about an inch from the back and then it just looks very nice.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Another thing that I've seen recently is like a -- I think DeCicco has it in Larchmont -- they use like instead of a sign band, they have like Trex so it looks

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like wood. That whole band is --2

MR. DILEO: That's a particular design 3

that has that feel. This is a little

different. That's not quite there. 5

MR. BIDDLE: One last comment. We 6 would love to get away from the completely

7 uniform look of all the signs. We think it

adds a lot more character if we could have some

backlit signs like we have on our other 10

property where CVS is, we've got a couple like 11

Wells Fargo there has a backlit sign, then 12

you've got some other different types of signs.

It just makes it a little bit more interesting 14

than everything completely the same. That's 15

the way all the properties are. That's the way 16

Vernon Hills is. They're all like that, and I 17

just feel it's more attractive than forcing us 18

to have a uniform look. That uniform look has 19

caused us problems for years in leasing because 20

any national tenant says, I want to have my 21

look. It would be like saying to Starbucks, 22

you have to have a blue sign that says 23 Starbucks and everyone will drive by it and

24 say, well, that's a fake Starbucks. That's the 25

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MR. DILEO: So there has to be some unifying element to that. The box that he's referring to could be that unifying element and then they could be different colors that work

with your direction. THE CHAIRPERSON: I'm not sure if I could picture what you're saying. I just want to make sure that then do you see any visible raceways or channels or any other things? I 12 think that was a problem with the building, there was no access, that's why they had those raceways. You still have to illuminate. Where is the juice coming from and is that visible or not visible or whatever? Right now, even where the Acme sign used to be on that brick, they came across and then Petco came across -- or whatever -- the Pet Smart they also came across. They all kind of like started to do

visible. It's really tacky. 22 MR. DILEO: That's the side that's 23 getting stucco. The side elevation for the 24 Petco? 25

their own thing with that and the conduit is

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 THE CHAIRPERSON: No, just the front 2 part where the signage is. Maybe on the side also where the signage is, because I think they 4

may have signs on both sides. 5

MR. DILEO: There is definitely one on the side. By the stuccoing procedure, we could hide whatever conduit is there. Each

individual sign has power now; right? 9

MR. BIDDLE: Yes. 10

> MR. DILEO: So there shouldn't really be -- the box allows you to do that because the box hides the conduit and whatever wiring there is.

14 MR. BIDDLE: The box is about 3 inches 15 deep, and then off of that box the letters 16 stick out about 2 inches.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Do they stick out like almost injection molded letters that push out from the thing?

20 MR. BIDDLE: It's almost like a dye 21 cut box with plastic Lexan letters which stick 22 23 out.

MR. DILEO: I think you need to see 24

25 one.

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THE CHAIRPERSON: There may be one 2 like what you're talking about at Spring Hill

Suites on Marbledale, the new hotel that went

5 · up in Tuckahoe. Their monument sign I believe

is supposed to be like that.

MS. UHLE: They could come and have a 7 special meeting with the sign committee for 8

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MR. DILEO: Right now we just want to 10 get a direction of color. If you're okay going 11

this direction, we could solidify this. 12

Obviously you say you want a darker band to 13 have the sign stick out more than a lighter 14 one. 15

THE CHAIRPERSON: It's kind of hard to say what that should be because we don't know what the sign.

MR. DILEO: Well, every single sign that's there right now is staying right now, 20 unless you're going to buy new signs for everybody. 22

MR. BIDDLE: I can't force the tenants 23 to change their signs. 24

THE CHAIRPERSON: If they are staying DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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MR. DILEO: I think everything is 3

4 white.

THE CHAIRPERSON: White returns, white 5

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MR. BIDDLE: Yes.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Right now the 8

raceways are all painted to match the band.

MR. DILEO: It will be. 10

THE CHAIRPERSON: The raceways need to 11

be painted, including the one that isn't 12

painted right now. There's one out there. I 13

don't know which one it is. Somebody doesn't 14

have his raceway painted. Slowly but surely 15

they've actually accommodated the board and 16

gone to smaller raceways. There are smaller 17

ones available now than were in the past. Some 18

of them are still like maybe 6 inches but some 19

of them have gone to 3 inch square, 3 or 4, I'm 20

not sure, but it is definitely smaller and a 21

little less visible. What do you guys all 22

think about the color? 23

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THE CHAIRPERSON: Where else on the building does that dark color appear other than the sign band?

MR. DILEO: The dark color is all in the back. This arch is actually a bent steel channel that's going to be that gun metal color, and the upper canopy in the center of the whole complex.

MR. MCINTYRE: That's like a coping.

MR. DILEO: I'm sorry.

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18 MR. DILEO: Yes. Well, it's a fascia. 19

MR. MCINTYRE: So just going back to

the signage discussion and this box sign that

you're referring to, all of your tenants are 22

ultimately responsible for their own sign; 23

correct? 24

MR. BIDDLE: Correct, yes.

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MR. MCINTYRE: So those signs are not

going to be replaced at this stage?

MR. BIDDLE: What I intend to do is to go to all of them and say that we are fixing

the front, improving its look, and that we have

a new sign program that the town is happy with and here are the different types of signs which

the town is happy with you installing and we

recommend that you do this, you take advantage 10

of the opportunity to improve your signage, 11

make it look better, and would you please do 12

it. Then I'll get into discussions with them. 13

Maybe I'll help them. I can't afford to have 14

an approval that requires all the signs to be 15

changed because as soon as a tenant sees the video here, then they're going to be ruthless 17

with me. 18

MR. MCINTYRE: Right. So, listen, I think you can ask them, and I think it's good practice, I think you're looking to sort of

enhance the overall aesthetic of the building,

22 but I'm not necessarily sure that your tenants 23

are going to concur with your request. So we 24

can certainly look at, you know, what you're DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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proposing and certainly offer some input as to what our preference is or what we like and we

don't like. I certainly think that's one of

the responsibilities of the sign board and with

some input of this board. Again, just from my understanding of what you shared, there's no

quarantee that all of your tenants are going to

replace all the sign so we're going to have one 9 uniform sort of a sign aesthetic on the entire 10

building; right?

MR. BIDDLE: Correct. They all have leases and those leases have approved their signs, and I can't do anything legally to make them remove or replace those signs, but when their lease is up, I can. So that's my intention, is to use a little moral suasion with them, and then when their lease is up if they haven't complied, make them comply.

MR. MCINTYRE: Fair enough. Okay.

THE CHAIRPERSON: On top of that, I know that what you were proposing at the sign

meeting was not those letters, they were 23

actually halo letters backlit. 24

MR. DILEO: For the DeCicco's store, DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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right. That's going to have to be because we 2

can't put a box sign up there or reverse sign.

The colors, we have control over that. The box

sign works good when you have a linear 5 situation like this. That works good. It

wouldn't work good up there. We could control 7 the colors, that we can do. 8

MS. UHLE: I know they're going to 9 come back to you with regard to the signage, 10

but I agree with Mr. Biddle about perhaps 11

looking at allowing a variety of sign types 12

because this shopping center especially it's 13

been a consistent problem with initially being 14 required to have very uniform signage. I don't

15 know if you remember, there was a point when 16

the Planning Board sort of rescinded the 17

requirement that everything be white in one 18

previous approval, but even that created some 19

problems because what the board restricted it 20

to were these very sort of Earth tone colors 21

that didn't show up against the building. If 22

you look at every other building in town, 23

there's a variety of signage types except for 24 the very small shopping centers. So I really

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_	do think that has been kind of a continuous	2	MS. UHLE: Don't look at the
3	problem for the tenants in the building.	3	rendering, look at the paint colors.
4	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes, identity from the	4	MR. GARCIA-BOU: My preference is the
5	street. You have that lineal sign right on 22.	5	
6	MR. DILEO: Hopefully, with this new	6	MS. NEMECEK: I like the top.
7	energy that's coming into the building and then	7	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.
	sort of reviving everything, people might want	8	THE CHAIRPERSON: I think you need
9	to jump on the band wagon.	9	more of a contrast between the two colors.
10	MR. MCINTYRE: We just want it to look	10	MR. MCINTYRE: We're with you. I
	as good as it can be. We're not necessarily	11	think more of a contrast is better than, you
12	saying well, again, let me not speak on	12	know, is that different, is it a different
13	behalf of the board but again, I think we	13	THE CHAIRPERSON: The khaki feel to
14	need to keep an open mind, and if it looks good	14	
15	and it's an enhancement and it's sort of a	15	that is also an improvement. I agree that that mauve kind of color is like ah. It was kind of
16	positive addition, then I think it's certainly	16	made to look like the brick more I think.
17	something I would be open to.	17	
18	MS. UHLE: It sounds like everyone is	18	MR. DILEO: The brick is very nice
19	okay with the actual application, which is	19	brick, it's just the maroon doesn't work. THE CHAIRPERSON: Did we open this up
20	what's being proposed, but then with the actual	20	
21	colors are you	21	to the public? MR. MCINTYRE: No. Let's open it up.
22	MR. MCINTYRE: I would like to see	22	
23	that a little closer. My eyesight is not as	23	So I would like to open Application 20-03 up to
24	great as it used to be.	24	the public hearing; do I have a second? MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second.
25	MR. DILEO: Again, these are Benjamin	25	DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER
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2	Moore.	2	(All aye.)
3	MR. MCINTYRE: So top right, the	3	MR. MCINTYRE: Anybody here that would
4	heavier one, is your preference; right?	4	like to speak with regard to this application?
5	MR. DILEO: Right.	5	Come on up to the podium, introduce yourself,
6		6	
	MR. MCINTYRE: Top left and top right.	1 _	
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77 EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 compliment the area down there tremendously. 2 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes. Looking forward 3 to going there myself. Thank you. 4 Would anybody else like to speak on 5 this application? 6 (No comments.) 7 THE CHAIRPERSON: That being the case, 8 I would like to close the Application 20-03; do 9 I have a second? 10 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. 11 MR. MCINTYRE: All in favor. 12 (All aye.) 13

MR. MCINTYRE: The public hearing is now closed. Do we want to just summarize and make a motion? I think we're really just looking at the stucco color.

MS, UHLE: You're approving the proposed application, which was the improvement to the back and to the -- I forgot which direction.

MR. MCINTYRE: The rear facade. MS. UHLE: The southwest facade. And you have indicated your preference for the upper right-hand corner color sample. So DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 2/6/2020 1 that's what's going to be the Planning Board. 2 MR. MCINTYRE: With that, I would like 3 to make a motion that we a move along Application 20-03 located the a 777 White 5 Plains Road based on Ms. Uhle's summation; do I have a second? 7 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. 8

THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor. (All aye.)

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MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. Good luck and thank you.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Last of the evening, Application 20-01 for 118 Brook Street.

MR. PIETROSANTI: Good evening, members of the Architectural Review Board. I'm Bruno Pietrosanti, the architect representing the owners of Wood and Fire Grill. The restaurant, Wood and Fire, was originally

19 opened up as Mezza Luna Restaurant, so many of 20

you may know of it as Mezza Luna. Same owners. 21

The owners have decided to re-brand the 22

restaurant. The re-branding is consistent with 23 other restaurants that they own, kind of a

24 group type of thing. They also own a Wood and

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Fire in Pleasantville and the Southern Table in Pleasantville. It's kind of become more of an organized operation than a mom and pop operation.

So what we're here for, about a year 6 ago we were approved for a rear patio, which essentially was site plan approval, and also special use permit with regards to eateries. 9 Any kind of an eatery that's being done in town 10 requires special approval. So I'm fairly sure 11 you all know where it's located on Brook 12 Street. 13

I'm going to refer to the site plan. So currently this is the site plan that we have before us. No physical changes to the footprint of anything on the site is being proposed, other than a staircase that we're proposing as a second means of egress for the second floor. I'll get into that discussion with you in a moment.

The rear patio, which is back in here, also was in front of this board about a year ago. You had given approval for this outdoor space. It has not changed in terms of

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configuration, other than the seating layout, 2

and also we have a bar that's been cut into the

facade of the building, which I'll show you on

the elevations. They have these roll down type 5 of garage door glass panels that actually open

and close and give it a nice open air feeling. 7

I think if you've been there, you'll notice 8

it's kind of refreshing. 9

THE CHAIRPERSON: Are you still 10 referring to the back or now in the front? 11

MR. PIETROSANTI: The back. The back. 12

The front essentially doesn't change, other 13

than on the second floor you'll notice that 14

there's a one story projection, and on that 15

projection we're proposing a small eating deck 16

or dining deck. So they'll be a new railing 17

around that. That railing will match the 18

railing that's on the front entry down below, 19 which also has a few tables and chairs. Of 20

course the stair will match that as well.

21 One thing that I should indicate here, 22

I should tell you that part of this proposal is 23 we are eliminating the former unoccupied space 24

that's above on the second floor that was

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We're going to move on. This is just a radius map that shows -- there is actually a photo collage that you have which is all tied in with this radius which you should have in your packet. In addition -- although it's not a specific requirement of this board -- one of the comments that were made by the Planning Board at the last meeting -- I should have mentioned also that we were prior to this meeting at the Planning Board -- they had asked us just to show them the possibility of a valet layout. There are instances where they require DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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a little bit more parking, so they offer valet. If they don't offer the valet, they'll have to

find it, you know, in the neighborhood.

They've got plenty, which we've done an 5

analysis on, with regards to the neighborhood,

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MS. UHLE: Bruno, I think a lot of the overview is helpful, but since this is the Architectural Review Board, what they're really going to be looking at is the staircase.

MR. PIETROSANTI: Absolutely. I just kind of wanted to give a basic background because it's a been awhile since you've seen this project and I'm not sure how familiar you are with it. I'm going to breeze through it.

So what we have here on this plan, you'll see this is a blow up of the outdoor dining area, and so what we've done here, some of the changes we've made is rather than the larger four person table, we've gone with a modular two by two. What that does for us, it allows us to be very flexible. So if just a couple comes, you can move the tables around.

24 If you have a party of four, you put two tables

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MR. MCINTYRE: Three tables. 4

MR. PIETROSANTI: Exactly. On and on 5 and on. So that's what this is. What we've 6 done also is cognizant of the fact that we need 7 this pathway for two reasons: One, egress, and 8 the other with regards to handicapped accessibility. We do have a small, little 10 lounge area which we've counted in terms of our 11 seating, which is right adjacent to the bar. 12 I'll also refer you to the bar area here, which 13 14

opens out onto the patio, which gives it a really nice look. Of course as I mentioned to you, these overhead doors that open up, which during the great season of weather, you know, it opens the entire dining room to this area.

We've reworked the front area also so that it's no longer kind of like a pizzeria in the front and a, you know, restaurant in the back. We would come in the through the back and come in through the front. You could come in either way. The front area is kind of a greeting location. There will be a service bar

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up in the front where people could wait, and 2

also some seating area along here for those who

have to wait a little bit for a table. The 4

staircase is being reworked a little bit in 5

order to be able to access the second floor 6

more aesthetically. You'll see the layout of 7

the upper area, and, of course, the little deck

area which is out here. What we have there now 9 is a large window. The window would be

10 eliminated and cut down to the floor and we 11

would put a French type door in. 12

I think I provided some photos to that 13 effect to show you the French door. This is 14 some of the type of style of seating they'll be 15 putting in. These are the tables, the exterior 16 staircase. The railing here. This is the 17 existing railing. We are going to match that 18 at the deck, a tube and knob style, and that

19 will be carried into the staircase as I 20

21 mentioned.

Let's see. As far as the exterior 22 23 elevations.

THE CHAIRPERSON: I'm not seeing it, 24 to be honest with you. 25

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