1 TOWN OF EASTCHE BUILDING AND PLANKING DEVARIMENT TRANSCRIPT OF TOWN OF EASTCHESTER 5 ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEETING JANUARY 7, 2016 HELD AT: Eastchester Town Hall 10 40 Mill Road Rastchester, New York 10709 7:00 p.m. 11 12 13 BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: 14 LAURA RAFFIANI, CHAIRPERSON ENDA MCINTYRE, MEMBER CARLOS GARCIA-BOU, MEMBER 15 JENNIFER NEMECEK, MEMBER 16 SILVIO LUCA, MEMBER 17 18 EASTCHESTER EMPLOYEES IN ATTENDANCE:

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2 1 **FASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16** 2 THE CHAIRPERSON: Good evening, and 3 welcome to the January 7th, 2016 Architectural Review Board meeting. Welcome. Please rise 4 5 for the Pledge of Allegiance. 6 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance 7 was said.) 8 THE CHAIRPERSON: If you would, 9 Margaret, please call the roll. 10 MS. UHLE: Sure. Carlos Garcia-Bou. 11 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Here. 12 MS. UHLE: Enda McIntyre. 13 MR. MCINTYRE: Here. MS. UHLE: Laura Raffiani. 14 15 THE CHAIRPERSON: Here. 16 MS. UHLE: Jennifer Nemecek. 17 MS. NEMECEK: Here. 18 MS. UHLE: Silvio Luca. 19 MR. LUCA: Here. 20 THE CHAIRPERSON: Okav. First up 21 tonight new business, Application 15-55, which 22 is 675 White Plains Road. 23 MR. ABILLAMA: Good evening. My name 24 is Tom Abiliama, architect for the applicant. 25 The applicant, Arben Morina, is here with us

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3 **FASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16** 2 and the contractor also. 3 This application is for a new house located on 675 White Plains Road. It's a vacant lot and some excavation has already 6 7 The house is a two story house with a basement. We have the open floor living space 9 with a study, and then we have four bedrooms on the second floor. The garage would be a one 11 car garage in the basement. 12 Material will be mainly stone veneer 13 in the front, and we're going to have AZEK trim 14 and the Clopay garage door, a mahogany look door, front door, and we have wrought iron railing on top and stucco all around with the 16 17 EIFS raised panel in the middle. 18 This is the street view of the proposed house with the two neighboring houses 19 20 on both sides, and these are the pictures of 21 the neighborhood all around. The side where 22 the site is located, that's residential; across the street is commercial. This is the 23 materials sheet indicating all the different 24

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materials that are being used. We have the

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2 stone here illustrated with the brick head, and

3 we have the AZEK trim, the wrought iron

4 railing, the asphalt shingle, and the

5 simulation of what the bay window would look

6 like. This is the Clopay garage door.

7 We have samples if you would like to

8 see them.

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9 MR. MCINTYRE: Did you design the

10 house to the left?

MR. ABILLAMA: Yes.

12 MR. MCINTYRE: You did.

MR. ABILLAMA: And the owner, he loved

14 the design of the house to the left, and we

15 tried to see if we could do something similar

16 but with different materials and some different

17 geometry.

18 MR. MCINTYRE: Do you have any sort of

19 visual representation of the stone you're

20 looking to use?

MR. ABILLAMA: (Handing.)

MR. MCINTYRE: Okay.

23 THE CHAIRPERSON: Did you design any

24 of the other ones in the --

MR. ABILLAMA: No.

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2	THE CHAIRPERSON: Just that one to the	2	relationship of those dimensions to the
3	left there.	3	adjacent properties? Again, looking at the
4	MR. ABILLAMA: Actually, Ms.	4	street-scape, it looks like the side yard
5	Chairwoman and Enda were on that board when	5	setback on the other homes may be a little bit
6	they approved the one next to it.	6	greater.
7	MR. MCINTYRE: I didn't remember that,	7	MR. ABILLAMA: It's 9 feet.
8	but I figured it was a good from your	8	(Indicating.)
9	street-scape, I thought it was an educated	9	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. What's the
10	guess. But again, this is very similar to a	10	intent there; is there going to be a 6 foot
11	lot of the houses that you presented to us,	11	high fence that is going to differentiate one
12	designed, and subsequently been built in our	12	back yard to the other; is there any thought
13	town.	13	given to that? I'm just looking to trying to
14	So I guess the front facade has got	14	visualize the sort of elevation as to how
15	the stone veneer and the other three sides have	15	MR. ABILLAMA: What we're
16	stucco finish; correct?	16	contemplating is having evergreen hedges along
17	MR. ABILLAMA: Correct.	17	the two sides.
18	THE CHAIRPERSON: I noticed on our	18	MR. MCINTYRE: Hedges?
19	notes that there was a variance granted; what	19	MR. ABILLAMA: Hedges.
20	was that for?	20	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. Those trees that
21	MR. ABILLAMA: Right. The variance	21	are indicated on your street-scape, they're not
22	was granted because the lot is 90 feet deep in	22	there right now; right?
23	lieu of a hundred feet; it's only 4,500 square	23	MR. ABILLAMA: They're not there.
24	feet in lieu of 5,000 square feet. There was a	24	MR. MCINTYRE: They are there or
25	variance issued I guess in October.	25	they're not there?
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2	THE CHAIRPERSON: So where did that	2	MR. ABILLAMA: They're not.
3	wind of like really kind of coming off of, the	3	MR. MCINTYRE: They're not there. Is
4	back yard? Setbacks are still the same; right?	1 4	
ı		l .	there a landscaping plan to go along with this
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1 EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 2 (No comments.) 3 THE CHAIRPERSON: Then I guess we 4 could close that up. Make a motion to close Application 15-55 for the public hearing. 5 6 MR. MCINTYRE: Second. 7 THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor. 8 (All aye.) 9 THE CHAIRPERSON: Any more comments or 10 questions from the board? 11 MR. MCINTYRE: The two by four skylight on the sort of front roof, the 12 13 reasoning for that is just to allow some light 14 in?

MR. ABILLAMA: To allow some light.

16 It's to provide more light into the two story fover. 17 18 THE CHAIRPERSON: It does look a

19 little -- is that going to be like kind of --MR. ABILLAMA: It will be straight. 20

21 MR. MCINTYRE: What do you think of **22** that?

23 MR. ABILLAMA: Well, I like it, my 24

client likes it, but, you know, I think it's a nice feature. The client likes it, so I have

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2 to put it in.

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3 MR. LUCA: I think it takes away from your design, honestly. Also, you have to 4 figure out where your chandelier is going to go, because on your drawing your chandelier is 7 shown superimposed over the skylight. So it's going to have to shift back, and it might 9 effect the staircase.

10 MR. MCINTYRE: It's not certainly my 11 position to, you know to -- other than to offer 12 an opinion, but I think just looking at the 13 elevation I think it may detract from the 14 overall sort of appearance of the elevation, 15 not enhance it. I understand that you've 16 answered why it's there, but I think you have 17 that -- you know, you have that sort of oversized window/door in that balcony area 18 19 that's going to wash a considerable amount of light. Other than it being a hole in the roof 20 to allow a shaft of light in and the skylight 21 being the simplest way to puncture that roof 22 23 surface, I just think that it detracts a little 24 bit from the overall aesthetic.

> MR. ABILLAMA: We'll take that into **DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER**

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like an eyebrow window up there to kind of make

consideration, and I'll discuss it with the 3

client. 4 MR. MCINTYRE: You know, is there another way you could possibly put some sort of

7 it a little bit more in keeping with the

8 overall aesthetic and architecture that, you

know, obviously you've gone for here? I just

10 think putting a two by four skylight, you know, a rectangular skylight doesn't enhance the 11

12 overall visual. That's my opinion. I'm not

13 saying you got to take it away, but that's my 14 opinion.

15 THE CHAIRPERSON: I agree with you on 16 that one. I think it takes away more than it could possibly add, especially with that other 17 18 door there that's going to throw a significant amount of light in that space. I don't think 19

it's worth the detraction. 20

21 It's kind of hard to see because of 22

the rendering, you know, the computer rendering 23 it's kind of -- they're very hard, crisp, but

there's a lot going on on the facade. I'm not 24

25 so sure if it's just --

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2	MS. NEMECEK: I don't know if it's the	2	quick peek at that and see what it's like in
3	way it's rendered or if it's the materials	3	more than one piece.
4	themselves, because it just seems like there's	4	MR. ABILLAMA: I brought this to show
5	a lot in one space. It seems from this	5	you the relationship between the brick and the
6	viewpoint to look a little heavier on the	6	stone.
7	right-hand side.	7	MR. MCINTYRE: Got you.
8	THE CHAIRPERSON: Because of the	8	APPLICANT: There's a picture of it.
9	chimney?	9	MR. MCINTYRE: It's the brownest one;
10	MS. NEMECEK: I don't know.	10	right?
11	MR. MCINTYRE: Well, I think you've	11	MR. ABILLAMA: You could keep the
12	got that projection with the bay window. I	12	phone.
13	think there's a lot of lines, and I think	13	THE CHAIRPERSON: Any more comments,
14	that's just visually with the weight of the	14	board members? Anything? Questions?
15	lines and the texturing of the stone.	15	MS. UHLE: So the one recommendation
16	MS. NEMECEK: And with so much going	16	is to consider removing the skylight, and that
17	on on the facade, to have that skylight you're	17	sounds like that's a strong recommendation,
18	yielding the lily. You really don't need that. MR. GARCIA-BOU: How far back is that?	18	either eliminating it completely or potentially replacing it with an eyebrow window.
19 20	MR. ABILLAMA: How far back?	19 20	MR. MCINTYRE: Something along those
21	MR. GARCIA-BOU: Yes.	21	lines. Make it a little less severe than a two
22	MR. ABILLAMA: 4 feet.	22	by four opening.
23	MR. GARCIA-BOU: 4 feet from the edge	23	MS. UHLE: That's it then.
24	of the roof?	24	THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make
25	MR. ABILLAMA: Yes. We'll take that	25	a motion to pass along Application 15-55 with
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3	of that portico, which is permitted to intrude	3	MR. ABILLAMA: Real cedar.
4	into the front yard.	4	THE CHAIRPERSON: Real cedar.
5	So the house is this here, and we're	5	MR. MCINTYRE: The brick is the
6	adding a one car garage next to it and	6	chimney, right, Tom?
7	providing a two story foyer with a mudroom on	7	MR. ABILLAMA: Yes.
8	the left side and an open floor plan for a	8	MR. MCINTYRE: The chimney pots are
9	family room into the kitchen and a living,	9	terra cotta?
10	dining area in the existing structure.	10	MR. ABILLAMA: Yes, they're terra
11	The second floor will have four	11	cotta pots.
12	bedrooms with the three baths. The front also	12	MR. GARCIA-BOU: The dormer above the
13	we're proposing to have some stone on the first	13	entrance, is that a room?
14	level and we're setting back 5 feet providing	14	MR. ABILLAMA: Really, it fills the
15	for cedar shakes on the second floor and some	15	gap in the roof and it's part of the attic.
16	half timber style dormers over stucco. The	16	MR. MCINTYRE: Are you proposing to
17	remaining of the house is stucco with raised	17	have a railing leading up the front steps?
18	bands, EIFS bands.	18	MR. ABILLAMA: Oh, on the front steps.
19	This is the house in relationship to	19	Yes.
20	the neighboring houses and these are the	20	MR. LUCA: How do you access the
21	pictures of the house, the existing house, the	21	attic; do you have a pull down?
22	side yard and rear yard. These are the other	22	MR. ABILLAMA: Really the dormer is
23	houses all around. These are the materials	23	just for aesthetics.
24	that we're proposing for the stone. We have an	24	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. I would like to
25	image of it. The shingles, we have an image of	25	make a motion on Application 15-67 to open it
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2	it, the stucco and the roof and the railing	2	up to the public hearing. Do I have a second?
3	actually. That's over here. The color of the	3	THE CHAIRPERSON: Second.
4	window trim is the sandstone and all the other	4	MR. MCINTYRE: All in favor.
5	trim is going to match it, the AZEK trim. This	5	(All aye.)
6	is the double garage door and an image of the	6	MR. MCINTYRE: Anybody here that would
7	door, the front door.	7	like to speak with regard to this application,
8	THE CHAIRPERSON: Did you say there	8	now is the opportunity to come up to the
9	was a single car garage?	9	podium. Anybody here?
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EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 1 similar to your sample as opposed to mostly 2 square, mostly rectangle? 3 4 MR. ABILLAMA: Sure. MR. MCINTYRE: I think that may be 5 6 something you and your client may want to take a look at, because I think that may lend itself 7 better in the overall appearance, the finished 8 appearance. Personally, I think it's a really, really nice house, the layout inside as well as 10 the exterior elevations. I think it's 11 12 beautiful. I think that anything we can offer 13 to further enhance the overall project, then 14 that's why we're here and that's why you're 15 here. Just from my opinion, again, it's an 16 opinion, I think the square and rectangular cut of the stone might be a little bit harsh and 17 this is more of almost a Tudor style home where 18 19 it doesn't necessarily need to look brand new out of the box and square and edgy in that 20 21 respect. I think the sort of choice of the 22 materials and the stone, you know, every effort should be made to try and extend whatever type 23 of due diligence to make sure that that fits 24 25 the final project. **DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER**

EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 MR. ABILLAMA: We'll take that into great consideration and at the next board meeting we'll come back with it. MR. MCINTYRE: I just think that in my opinion it will enhance the overall aesthetic and product. The windows, again, the color of the windows and the trim? MR. ABILLAMA: They would be sandstone clad. THE CHAIRPERSON: Right. Right. 11

12 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Same thing with the 13 entranceway? 14 MR. ABILLAMA: The Andersen windows 15 and the trim.

MR. LUCA: Most of the windows are 16 17 casement?

18 MR. ABILLAMA: Say that again, I'm sorry. 19

MR. LUCA: The windows, you have three 20 21 double-hungs on the front elevation and the

rest of them are casement? 22 MR. ABILLAMA: Yeah, we could do that. 23 24

THE CHAIRPERSON: Any more questions

or comments from the board?

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23 EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 1 2 (No comments.) THE CHAIRPERSON: I also agree with 3 Mr. McIntyre, I think it's a lovely application, and the design is really quite nice. 7 MR. ABILLAMA: Thank you. THE CHAIRPERSON: Anyone else any 8 9 comments? 10 MR. MCINTYRE: One other thing I would like you to consider, and again, it's an 11 12 opinion. I don't get too many opportunities to hear my opinions. Regarding the railing 13 entrances, maybe you want to consider just 15 splaying the railing coming up the steps so 16 it's a little more inviting than just straight runs up. I think visually, I saw it in a 17

18 picture you presented as part of the earlier presentation, I think it's a little bit more 19

20 inviting, and again, it lends to the sort of

softness of the overall project as opposed to 21

the sort of straight lines. So again, I think 22

you should possibly draw it and if you like it 23

then you could see where it goes. 24 25

I know you've got the AZEK. Is DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER

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there -- and again, maybe the board

underneath -- do you have finished wood doors,

the front door and garage door? 5

MR. ABILLAMA: The finishes are --

MR. MCINTYRE: Everything else is just

the AZEK? 7

MR. ABILLAMA: Yes.

MR. MCINTYRE: Again, looking at some 9 other projects, for me looking at projects 10

11 where finished wood is apparent and, you know,

whether it's either on finished surfaces, I 12

think the maintenance and initial sort of 13

14 selection of whatever sort of wood, whether

it's finished wood or whether it's something 15 that sort of replicates finished wood, I think

if that is part of the selection process I 17

would like you to kind of consider the 18

maintenance of that and the longevity of 19

something, whether it's either finished wood --20

if you're using finished wood or hardwood, then 21

22 it's really not a problem. If you're using a

plywood that's stain, then it might look good 23

24 for the first six or eight months and it's

going to fade out and it's going to look like

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 1 2 stained plywood, you know, after a year or two. 3 Again, you don't have a tremendous amount of it 4 here, and I really don't think it's an issue 5 because you're using a garage door and a front 6 door, but I think you know what I'm talking about because from projects that we're familiar 7 with we've seen that in the past. I think overall I think it's a beautiful project, and 10 I'm certainly very excited to see it when it's 11 finished. 12 MS. UHLE: Just for my notes, what is

13 the trim that you're concerned about? Not the AZEK trim but --

15 MR. MCINTYRE: There's no other trim, 16 there is no other hardwood trim, it's really just the garage door and the front door. If 17 there were other trim I thought maybe there 18 19 were other sort of post and beam trim, you 20 know, around the porch, but it's not, it's all 21 AZEK. So it's really it's a non-issue.

MS. UHLE: The two recommendations 23 were to consider a more rounded rather a 24 rectangular cut stone and to have the railings at the entrances be sort of a splaying type

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 1 design. 2 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes, like splayed as 3 4 opposed to just a straight up. MS. UHLE: Okav. 5 MR. MCINTYRE: I'll make a motion on 6 Application 15-67, 89 Park Avenue, that we pass 7 this application along to the Planning Board 8 9 with the two recommendations for consideration as part of that application. Do I have a 10 second? 11

12 MR. GARCIA-BOU: Second. MR. MCINTYRE: All in favor. 13

14 (All aye.)

15 MR. ABILLAMA: Thank you.

MR. MCINTYRE: Thank you very much.

Good luck. 17

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18 THE CHAIRPERSON: Next up, we have 19

Application 15-81, 109 Siwanoy.

MS. MARRONE: Good evening. I'm 20 21 Maggie Marrone, the architect for Mr. and Mrs.

Bogetti. 22

The Bogettis would like to add -- they 23 would like to convert their existing two car 24 25 garage into a family room and then add a new

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two car garage along the side of the house.

3 So this was the existing garage. They would like to close that up. The front of the 4 house is brick painted white and the dormers right now are vinyl siding, which we would like to in the new addition of the garage do vinyl 7

siding to match the dormers and continue that around to the back, which is what's in the back

as well. 10

> We would add two dormers, one over the existing garage and one over the new garage, which would be storage upstairs basically.

14 There are no zoning issues here. It's all within the setbacks. There will be a new 15 mudroom in the back of the garage as well. The 16 new doors on the side will be wood carriage 17 18 doors for the garage doors.

Otherwise, all the materials are going to have Andersen clad windows white. 20

Everything is matching existing basically. I 21

22 have a sample of the existing roof shingle.

It's going to be the same. It's a gray asphalt 23

shingle. I have a sample of the type of 24

siding, although it's not the right color, it's

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1 going to be white, but it's a vinyl siding,

which is what's on the house right now. They 3

will fill in the existing area where the garage

door was with brick and painted white to match 5

the brick that's there on the front.

THE CHAIRPERSON: So the whole thing 7 kind of steps back; right? 8

9 MS. MARRONE: Yes. Existing steps back and then this will step back more. 10

11 THE CHAIRPERSON: So on the ground 12 level it will add the family room and a new 13 garage.

MS. MARRONE: And a mud room.

THE CHAIRPERSON: And a mud room. On 15

the second floor? 16 17

MS. MARRONE: The second floor is just adding storage over the garage and a new dormer in the master bedroom, which is over the garage

right now, the existing garage, because really

21 there's not a lot of windows in that room.

22 We're losing windows by getting rid of the one 23 window where the garage storage area will be.

24 MR. MCINTYRE: Do you feel confident

that as part of matching the vinyl siding, that **DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER**

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2	it's in good enough shape that the new siding	2	white to match.
3	will match?	3	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay.
4	MS. MARRONE: Yes. It's still very	4	MS. NEMECEK: I'm glad you included
5	white. It's still in good shape. It's not	5	lighting, but I think the lights are a little
6	old.	6	bit out of scale, a little too small for the
7	MR. MCINTYRE: Old is not always a bad	7	size.
8	thing.	8	THE CHAIRPERSON: Is there something
9	THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make	9	there now?
10	a motion to open Application 15-81, 109 Siwanoy	10	MS. MARRONE: Yes.
11	Boulevard to the public meeting.	11	(Indicating.)
12	MR. MCINTYRE: Second that.	12	MS. NEMECEK: And those aren't going
13	THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.	13	to change?
14	(All aye.)	14	MS. MARRONE: No.
15	THE CHAIRPERSON: Is there anyone here	15	MS NEMECEK: Okay. Thanks.
16	who would like to speak on this application?	16	MS. NEMECEK: Will there be lighting
17	(No comments.)	17	at the new garage too?
18	THE CHAIRPERSON: Then I would like to	18	MS. MARRONE: Yes. There will be
19	make a motion to close Application 15-81 public	19	lighting on both sides of the garage door.
20	hearing.	20	Actually, I'm sorry, one over the garage door
21	MR. MCINTYRE: Second.	21	because there's not a lot of room on the sides.
22	THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.	22	THE CHAIRPERSON: Anything else?
23	(All aye.)	23	MR. MCINTYRE: I like the elevation.
24	THE CHAIRPERSON: Board, comments?	24	I think you've done a good job with the
25	MS. NEMECEK: Can we see that	25	addition and converting the garage into the
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EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 1 2 even had those. They're existing lights. MR. MCINTYRE: Oh, existing lights. 3 MS. UHLE: So I think it's just 4 referring it to the Planning Board as proposed. 5 MR. MCINTYRE: Okay, there you go. Do 6 7 I have a second? THE CHAIRPERSON: Second. 8 MR. MCINTYRE: All in favor. 9 10 (All ave.) MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. Well done. 11 12 Thank you very much. Good luck. 13 THE CHAIRPERSON: Our next application is 15-82, 783 White Plains Road. 14 15 MR. IANNACITO: Good evening. Happy 16 New Year to everyone. My name is John Iannacito. I'm an architect, and I'm 17 18 representing the owner of the subject property this evening. We are proposing facade 19 alterations to the existing one story 20 21 commercial building located at 783 White Plains 22 Road. 23 The proposed scope of work will include -- well, on this drawing I've included 24 a site plan and then existing and proposed **DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER**

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1 EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 elevations. So I guess we're going to go over to the board because my pointer is not working. 3 So the proposed scope of work will include on 4 this facade the removal of an existing overhead 5 door and replacing that overhead door with new 6 storefront to match existing. 7 8 Also on this facade, the proposed scope of work will include removal of the 9 existing aluminum siding along the upper band 10 and replacing that with a stucco finish. 11 12

On the side elevation, the proposed work will include again removing the existing 13 aluminum siding on that band and replacing that with stucco. We're also proposing to replace the existing fabric on the existing canopy at 16 17 the front entrance.

Here are photographs of the existing structure and a freehand rendering showing the new stucco finish and the new canopy.

The existing stone veneer will remain as existing, and then the new stucco will be a cream color finish, and the new fabric will be a brown finish.

All the existing lighting, which

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consists of recessed lighting within the

overhang at the front and at the entrance, will

remain as existing, and we're also proposing to

clean up the existing planting beds in the

front and adding new sod and some low 7

plantings. 8

Thank you for your time, and I'm happy to answer any questions you may have. 9

THE CHAIRPERSON: Did you say what 10 color the new fabric is; is that brown? 11

12 MR. IANNACITO: It's a brown. It's actually by Sunbrella, and it's called true 13 brown.

15 THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. Do you know 16 if that's a fire resist color, because the awnings have to be fire resist, right, 17 18 Margaret?

19 MR. IANNACITO: I guess if it has to 20 be fire resist, we'll do fire resist.

21 THE CHAIRPERSON: I know there's a 22 more limited pallet of selection under that.

MR. IANNACITO: Oh, okay. I'm sure 23 there will be a brown available. It's a pretty 24 basic color. Nothing too fancy.

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. And is

2 there -- right now is there -- there's no

signage or anything for that? 4

MR. IANNACITO: They're going to be proposing new signage, and I guess we'll come to the sign meeting for that.

MR. LUCA: What's the tenant now? Who's going to be the tenant?

MR. IANNACITO: The approved tenant 10 right now is a nail salon, and they actually 11

have approvals for the interior alterations and 12

they're working on the interior now. I'm 13 14 actually working for the owner of the building

to do the facade. The interior stuff was done 15

by someone else. 16

THE CHAIRPERSON: Any other questions 18 from the board?

(No questions.)

THE CHAIRPERSON: I don't know if 20 there's any pictures depicting that, it's hard 21 to see, at one point that wall was really kind 22 23 of a mess, that wall to the left.

MR. IANNACITO: The side wall? 24 25

THE CHAIRPERSON: Yes.

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EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16 1 2 MR. IANNACITO: There is some ivv 3 growing on it now. They may clean it up and then, I guess, paint it the same color of the 4 5 building. 6 MS. UHLE: I think that wall is owned 7 Urstadt Biddle, which is the adjacent property owner, and we had them paint it and repair it 8 in the past. Jay, is that correct? 9 MR. KING: Yes. 10 11 MS. UHLE: It's Urstadt Biddle and 12 we've spoken to them in the past and they have 13 painted it. 14 15 16 I remember it being an issue at one point. 17 18 material.

THE CHAIRPERSON: It's hard to see now in this photo because it is in the shadow, but

MR. GARCIA-BOU: The new storefront

MR. IANNACITO: The new windows?

MR. GARCIA-BOU: Yes.

MR. IANNACITO: It would be the anodized aluminum frame with clear glass to match existing. It's like a bronze finish on the frame.

> MR. MCINTYRE: Did we open the public **DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER**

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THE CHAIRPERSON: We need to, yes. I would like to make a motion to open up Application 15-82, 783 White Plains Road for a public hearing.

MR. MCINTYRE: Second.

THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.

9 (All aye.)

THE CHAIRPERSON: Anyone here for this

11 one? No?

(No comments.)

THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make a motion to close Application 15-82, 783 White

15 Plains Road for the public hearing.

MR. MCINTYRE: Second.

17 THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.

18 (All ave.)

THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make 19

20 a motion to send Application 15-82 along to the

Planning Board for it's consideration. 21

MR. MCINTYRE: I second that.

23 THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.

(All aye.) 24

25 MR. MCINTYRE: Thank you.

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MR. IANNACITO: Thank you. 2 THE CHAIRPERSON: Thank you. 3 Last but not least, Barnes and Noble, 4 5 Application 15-84, 670 White Plains Road. Good

evenina. 7 MR. WIMMER: Good evening. My name is

David Wimmer, manager with Barnes & Noble, and 8 with me is Greg Belanger with HBC Architect, who is the architect for our project here at 10 11 the shopping center.

The project consists of a complete 13 redo of the interior of the space, obviously, to complete our new book store. From the 14 exterior standpoint, it's a recreation of the 15 16 entry facade and some renovations to the side elevation as well, working towards just 18 creating a new entrance for the project.

19 In plan, you can see on the left side 20 is the upper level, which is the entrance 21 level, and then there's an elevator and 22 escalators that go down to the main sales floor 23 area and the outdoor patio. So the structure that surrounds that upper level entrance, we're 24 25 retaining most of the steel structure that's in

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> there. The exterior walls are being removed and replaced with new materials, which you could see on the elevations. 4

> 5 On the side elevation, you could see the gray area, which is a thin paneled it's a concrete type material. It's a thin rain

screen type material. It's non-structural. It

has the appearance of a raw textured kind of

10 concrete. That creates this cube form that is

11 on the front and side elevation not just the 12 corner, and then filling that in with glass and

the entrance storefront and then entrance doors 13

and entrance vestibule within there. 14

15 Going back down the side elevation, there's an exterior set of stairs that go down 17 to the outdoor patio that you can see in

section, and then there's three windows that 18

are currently square windows similar to what 19 are beyond and the office building spaces, and

20 we're expanding those down to add more visual

22 interest to the interior and give a little more

23 exterior presence as well with some light

24 coming from there and to create a more dramatic

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Down below, the area through here is 3 all obviously leads from the patio into the 4 5 main store area, and our cafe is set up off to the far right-hand side and the cafe work room is the last group of windows, a solid window 7 off the right visualizing customers that are 8 sitting out in the patio to have some level of 9 10 visual into the cafe, see the operation, some of the food prep that they're doing in that 11 12 area. That area right now is currently all 13 windows through there. We're expanding that window down to the floor line. Currently, I 14 15 think it's about an 18 or 24 inch sill. So 16 we're extending those windows down and we're 17 exploring the maximum amount of door area we 18 could convert that into to create a seamless 19 flow from interior to the exterior space as 20 well.

On the other page, the next page --22 sorry about that. So then the next elevation you could see the front elevation, which is the view from the parking lot, again the gray 25 concrete cube, entrance facade, and on the **DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER**

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other elevation you can see this large area of 2

glass that we're constructing into the facade. 3

That currently does not exist, and that will be 4

as you're proceeding down the escalators in the 5

interior you will have that view out those 6

7 windows and into the patio area beyond.

These are some conceptual images of what the exterior patio would look like. I'll

put it side by side. We're looking at adding a 10

bit of a trellis form over the top of that with 11

a removable canopy to be able to go over the 12

top of that, outdoor seating, the oversized 13

14 chessboard kind of thing. We may try and get a

15 fire pit into that area and just create as

inviting a space as we can out there. The 16

17 space as it is is really quite nice. There's a

18 lot of mature vegetation that surrounds that

19 whole area. We're not proposing to do anything

20 with that. That's not part of our process.

I'm sure we'll add some seasonal color in pots

22 and that sort of thing down into the patio

23 area.

24 Some views from the street. On the

25 right-hand view, you can see the existing

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condition with the other retail tenants and

office space up above and then the Borders'

premise -- the former Borders' premises

5 elevation over through here, which is just a

small white corner with a punch in within it.

Some additional views of that corner entrance.

8 THE CHAIRPERSON: If you're looking on 9 the ARB 308 number, I think it's like the last

one I think. 10

MR. WIMMER: This one?

12 THE CHAIRPERSON: Yes. Where are

13 there more windows? Is that a good one to look

14 at?

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15 MR. WIMMER: Yes. This will give you 16 the best angle for that portion of it. So on

the far left-hand side of the photograph where 17

18 the facade bumps out, you can see those first

three square windows that are over there, those 19

are the windows that will be extended down 20

21 along the staircase, and then off the back face

22 just to the right of that, that wall will be

23 opened up for the large window area that you're

24 looking at as you're going down the escalators.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Down the escalators.

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MR. WIMMER: Yes. As far as what you

would see from the rest of the elevation in

there, there is no visible change because there

is already window area all across that lower

level, and we're just replacing the windows

7 that are there with new windows that

will extend down to the ground.

9 MR. MCINTYRE: Like a NanaWall; right?

MR. WIMMER: That's what called a

11 NanaWall, yes.

12 THE CHAIRPERSON: And the canopy would

13 extend from there?

14 MR. WIMMER: Yes, exactly. So the

canopy would extend over the top of the heads 15 16

of those windows along that existing line up

above the windows. So that's predominantly

18 below grade.

> MR. MCINTYRE: And that sort of patio level, what's the surface of that right now?

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MR. WIMMER: The surface right now is 21 22 a interlocking concrete paver.

23 MR. MCINTYRE: And you would look to 24 sort of go over that?

MR. WIMMER: At this point in time,

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45 **EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16** 1 2 the pavers are in good condition, I think we'll probably need to add some additional sand and restructure them a little bit to get them 4 leveled out, but we don't have any plans of, 5 you know, actually changing that material. MR. MCINTYRE: And then the post and 7 8 beam --9 THE CHAIRPERSON: Pergola-ish? MR. MCINTYRE: Yes. What's your 10 thoughts on that? 11 12 MR. WIMMER: As far as materials, the overriding character that we're trying to 13 14

establish both on the exterior and the interior is it's a contemporary but a very natural 15 material. The concrete is not highly finished 16 off. Very clean and simple forms. The pergola 17 18 would follow that same kind of regard in that we would use larger we call it heavy timber 19 type construction, but as the rendering showed 20 21 a very simplistic kind of grid. It's just enough to create a structure. MR. MCINTYRE: So it would be natural.

22 23 24 material; it would be timber? MR. WIMMER: Yes. 25

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MR. WIMMER: No. As a rain screen

2 MR. GARCIA-BOU: I have a question on the ARB 201 elevation. The stone facade, is 3 that forward or set back? 4

it's really a terminology saying that it's a non-structural element. So it's not pushed forward from the structure at all. It is the exterior facade material. There's a gap back behind it in that it's not actually the weatherproofing itself. It's posted off of the main structure.

MR. GARCIA-BOU: It's not projecting out at all?

MR. WIMMER: No, it's not projecting out at all. There is no modification to the footprint of the building that we're doing.

MR. GARCIA-BOU: The reason I was asking is looking at 307, you're saying this is going to be the same facade, the same plain.

MR. WIMMER: In plan it is fundamentally the same. The door location is going to shift very slightly, but as far as the overall footprint it is identical.

MR. BELANGER: In fact, we're

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re-framing a lot of the steel to get the setback that we want.

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4 MR. MCINTYRE: Is there any concern regarding the span? It looks like, you know, 5 if you figure each of those NanaWall panels

were like two feet, is there a concern

regarding accomplishing that 16 foot span? Do 9 you have to put in --

MR. BELANGER: No, not at all. A 10 NanaWall system is supported overhead. The 11

12 existing structure supports the track, and if 13 not, we will reinforce that, but there is no

reason for us to bring in more structure 14

members to close that opening up. 15 16

MR. MCINTYRE: Well, I'm not so much worried about closing it up, I'm just worrying 17 18 about making sure that you can have a 16 foot opening for the entire run of that wall.

MR. BELANGER: The opening is there 20 21 already.

MR. MCINTYRE: Oh, it is.

MR. BELANGER: All those openings are 23

there. We're not creating any more openings. 24

All we're doing is taking the storefront

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further down to the ground and ultimately

raising it up if we can.

MR. MCINTYRE: Right.

MR. BELANGER: We're not expanding the 5

width of the openings at all. 7

MS. UHLE: I think they were hoping you would look at the proposed signage as well,

unless, Laura, you would prefer them to come to

the sign committee. They're proposing 24 inch 10 11

high illuminated channel letters.

THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. It looks 12 proportionate to the building, but I don't know 13 14 what's around it, you know, in terms of the size, like West Elm and the other things that 15 are facing it. 16

17 MS. UHLE: I know that I met with the applicant and the property owner, and it seemed 18 that 18 inches was a little small and 36 inches 19 20 was too high.

THE CHAIRPERSON: So it looks right to 21 me, and this appears like it's very much to 22

scale as opposed to some of the sign 23

applications that I've seen where there's not

so many dimensions on the building itself.

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2	MS. UHLE: Also, if you look at it in	2	MR. GARCIA-BOU: 202.
3	the West Elm is perpendicular to it, but if	3	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay.
4	you look at it, it is sort of the end unit	4	MR. BELANGER: But that's sort of the
'	there.	5	intent.
5		6	THE CHAIRPERSON: Like right now you
6	MR. MCINTYRE: Yes, I think it's proportionate to everything else that's going	7	show a nice black outline here. So if there's
7			not the reverse in black I just want to make
8	On.	8 9	sure this it stands out in the during the
9	THE CHAIRPERSON: And the lighting is they're channel letters?	1 -	day that you see it, the contrast.
10	MR. BELANGER: We're working with the	10	MR. BELANGER: We learned many years
12	manufacturer. Our intent is to laser cut that	12	ago not to put a white sign on a white
1		13	background. I will guarantee you the sign will
13	material. It comes in a large enough panel or	14	
14	it may be seamed, and the lighting is then backlit with LED lighting. The lighting the	15	be visible during the daytime. MR. WIMMER: I gave up my first born
15		16	once on that one.
17	sign will probably extend out from the panel system maybe an eighth of an inch, not more	17	THE CHAIRPERSON: Well, sometimes what
18	than a quarter of an inch, and because of the	18	can work is the lights where they are channel
19	rain screen we have the depth behind it to get	19	lit letters but in the day look black and in
20	plenty of LED lighting in there. It's	20	the night look white. Sometimes that could
21	basically backlit. There will be really no	21	help.
22	projection. Again, this is with keeping it as	22	MR. BELANGER: In an emergency, we did
23	simple as we can, simple and clean. You could	23	that a number of years ago, but that's not the
24	see that the glazing system we're proposing is	24	preferred way. We want to see the contrast.
25	a front glazing system with a mullion behind it	25	MR. WIMMER: The intent is the
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top of that and then the rain screen material

MR. BELANGER: Yes.

MR. LUCA: The building is EIFS now?

MR. WIMMER: We're creating a new

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for that.

time, yes.

a Starbucks in there too?

Barnes & Noble stores, and we're very excited

serving coffee, probably Starbucks as of this

MR. GARCIA-BOU: Is there going to be

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MR. WIMMER: The cafe will still be

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1	EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16	1	EASTCHESTER ARB - 1/7/16
2	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. So do you want	2	MR. MCINTYRE: Second that.
3	to make a motion?	3	THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.
4	I would like to make a motion on	4	MR. MCINTYRE: Aye.
5	Application 15-84, Barnes & Noble located at	5	THE CHAIRPERSON: Aye.
6	670 White Plains Road, that we pass this	6	MR. GARCIA-BOU: Aye.
7	application along to the Planning Board with	7	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. And then
8	some of the comments that you shared with us as	8	November.
9	part of the ongoing development as part of the	9	MS. UHLE: Was everyone except for
10	presentation to the Planning Board.	10	Carlos.
11	THE CHAIRPERSON: Second that.	11	MR. GARCIA-BOU: I wasn't here.
12	MR. MCINTYRE: All in favor.	12	MS. UHLE: You were or you were not?
13	(All aye.)	13	Our notes say you weren't here.
14	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. Good luck.	14	THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make
15	MR. WIMMER: Thank you very much.	15	a motion to approve the minutes for the
16	MR. BELANGER: Thank you very much.	16	November 5th meeting 2015.
17	THE CHAIRPERSON: I neglected to	17	MR. MCINTYRE: Second that.
18	approve the minutes before. So maybe if we	18	THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.
19	could do that before we close up. We have	19	MR. MCINTYRE: Aye.
20	February 5th? I guess	20	THE CHAIRPERSON: Aye.
21	MR. MCINTYRE: November 5th.	21	MS. NEMECEK: Aye.
22	MR. GARCIA-BOU: November.	22	MR. LUCA: Aye.
23 24	THE CHAIRPERSON: November 5th, but	23	THE CHAIRPERSON: I would like to make
25	MS. UHLE: This goes back to February of 2015.	24	a motion to close the Architectural Review
45	DINA M. MORGAN, REPORTER	25	Board meeting of January 7th.
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2	THE CHAIRPERSON: Anyway, at that	2	MR. MCINTYRE: Second that.
3	meeting who was present, Margaret, do you know?	3	THE CHAIRPERSON: All in favor.
4	MS. UHLE: Enda, Carlos, and Jennifer.	4	(All aye.)
5	THE CHAIRPERSON: Okay. So you need	5	THE CHAIRPERSON: Good night
6	to approve those minutes.	6	Eastchester.
7	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. I think I would	7	MR. MCINTYRE: Thank you very much.
8	like to make a motion to approve the meeting	8	That Health their you very mach
9	minutes for February 5th. If anybody has	9	
10	remembered any typos or incorrectly spelled	10	
11	names or what have you? Do I have a second?	11	
12	MS. NEMECEK: Second.	12	
13	MR. MCINTYRE: All in favor.	13	
14	MS. NEMECEK: Aye.	14	
15	MR. MCINTYRE: Aye.	15	
16	MR. GARCIA-BOU: Aye.	16	
17	MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. Those	17	
18	February 5th, 2015 meeting minutes are	18	
19	approved.	19	
20	THE CHAIRPERSON: May 7th was attended	20	
21	by?	21	
22	MS. UHLE: Enda, Carlos, and Laura.	22	
23	THE CHAIRPERSON: So I can make a	23	
24	motion to approve the meeting minutes for the	24	
25	May 7th, 2015 meeting.	25	
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And, I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of January, 2016.

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