

MINUTES
City of Wooster Design and Review Board
March 2, 2023

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

John Campbell, Chairman of the Design and Review Board, called the meeting to order. Board members John Campbell, Dick Deffenbaugh, Dick Kinder, Louise Keating, and Keith Speirs were present at the meeting. Board member Sandra Hull was absent. Vincent Marion, Planning and Zoning Manager represented the City of Wooster.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dick Kinder moved to approve the Minutes of February 2, 2023, the regular meeting of the Design and Review Board. Louise Keating seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

III. APPLICATIONS

DR-23-2.

Patrick Lankey, on behalf of Wayne County, requested a Development Recommendation on alterations and additions to a structure at 201 West North Street with parcel numbers 64-02427 and 64-02181.

Patrick Lankey, Strollo Architects, 201 W. Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio, stated that the Wayne County Justice Center houses both the jail and the sheriff departments. Mr. Lankey explained that the proposal to expand the jail portion of the project would consist of a three-story addition out into the existing parking lot. Mr. Lankey continued that the building would be constructed of the same materials as the current Justice Center. Mr. Lankey stated that the addition would be an extension of the Justice Center with the same detailing. Mr. Lankey explained that parking displacement would be discussed at the Planning Commission Meeting. Mr. Lankey continued that landscaping and trees around the property would remain the same. Mr. Lankey stated that the enclosure around the mechanicals, generator, and dumpster enclosure is masonry with a solid door. Mr. Lankey noted that the new construction would be completed by the end of 2025.

Loren Fedorowicz, 148 North Walnut Street, asked if the parking lot would be completed before the construction of the addition. Mr. Lankey stated that the parking lot and the expansion are separate projects, with the parking area built first so that the parking would not impact local businesses.

Mr. Marion stated that the purpose of this meeting was to look at the architecture and design of the proposed addition to the existing facility. Mr. Marion explained that the Justice Center is in a C-4 zoning classification, and the downtown Central Business District and the proposed parking lot are in a zoned residential neighborhood.

Kevin Schwarzkopf, 2921 Graustark Path, stated that the Justice Center had been good neighbors to downtown and supported the community around the area, and conscience of property upkeep, and I support the project.

Dick Deffenbaugh moved to approve the application as submitted. Dick Kinder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Louise Keating moved to adjourn the meeting. Dick Kinder seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

John Campbell, Chairman

Carla Jessie, Administrative Assistant