



**LEESBURG BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
STAFF REPORT**

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AGENDA ITEM 6 b.**

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**BAR Case No.: THLP-2012-0036  
Reviewer: Kevin Lawlor  
Address: 1 Catoctin Circle, NE  
Zoning: B-2, H-2 Overlay District  
Applicant: Mathew Boyle**

**ISSUE/FACTS**

Sandy Spring Bank proposes to install a new ATM in the location of the existing ATM for the drive-thru area of the building.

**STAFF ASSESSMENT**

The new ATM does not appear to properly fit into the existing ATM area without making other alterations to the space. The drawings indicate the ATM will over hang the concrete base. This gives the appearance of the machine being too large to fit the area proposed. In addition, the new machine is a color pattern that does not blend well with the existing color scheme of the building further making it stand out versus the machine looking as if it was designed to blend in with the building.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION/DRAFT MOTION**

**(Based on the BAR's discussion at the meeting, any changes to the language of either part of the motion should be incorporated as necessary.)**

Based on the facts that:

- Page 21 H-2 Corridor Design Guidelines: Materials and Detailing; Extensive use of reflective or tinted glass, enameled or decorative metal wall panels, or other similar anonymous or non-traditional wall materials should be avoided. The pre-manufactured ATM kiosk is constructed of steel wall panels with automotive paint finish.
- Page 22 H-2 Corridor Design Guidelines: Materials and Detailing; the specific materials used on a building or set of related buildings should be compatible each other in terms of size, shape or texture. The pre-manufactured kiosk's covering is inconsistent with the masonry block primary building material on the bank.
- Page 23 H-2 Design Guidelines: Materials and Detailing; While the selection of materials for new construction should be influenced by those materials that are familiar in the built environment of Leesburg, the architectural detailing of such materials-the way in which they are used in relation to other materials in the building-may be less traditional as long as it relates to the overall design of the building. Unlike the existing ATM which is constructed of the same and similar masonry block found on the bank building, the

proposed ATM kiosk introduces new materials and colors not used elsewhere on the bank building.

- Page 23 H-2 Corridor Design Guidelines: Color; Color can add interest and vitality to a building, but its use may often call undue attention to a particular building or make it appear out of character with its neighbors. Since most building colors are a function of materials themselves, material selection requires careful consideration. The blue, gold and white scheme of the kiosk will stand in stark contrast to the tan, black and white scheme of the bank.
- Page 23 H-2 Corridor Design Guidelines: Color; A buildings paint colors-both those selected for the body and for accents-should not be overly intense, or used as a “sign” to draw unnecessary attention to the building. Instead, they should subtly reinforce the overall character of the building. Colors that are of a medium to low intensity, that is, those formed by the addition of grey or white to the basic hue, are generally more appropriate for both the body and trim areas of a building than pure hues themselves.

Staff recommends denial of TLHP-2012-0036

**SAMPLE MOTION**

I move that TLHP-2012-0036 be denied based on the findings and expressed in the May 21, 2012 staff report due to the new proposed ATM not being designed in such a manner as to fit the size, scale and color scheme of the building.