HISTORIC AND DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION March 20, 2019

HDRC CASE NO: 2019-121

ADDRESS: 110 E CROCKETT ST

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: NCB 914 BLK LOT W 137.17 FT OF A1

ZONING: D,HE, H

CITY COUNCIL DIST.: 1

DISTRICT: Alamo Plaza Historic District **LANDMARK:** Gage, Chandler Building

APPLICANT: William OHaver

OWNER: RJR Riverside Properties
TYPE OF WORK: Patio umbrella replacement

APPLICATION RECEIVED: March 01, 2019 **60-DAY REVIEW:** April 30, 2019 **CASE MANAGER:** Huy Pham

REQUEST:

The applicant is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to feature patio table umbrellas with a multi-color design.

APPLICABLE CITATIONS:

Sec. 35-681. - Signs on the Riverside of Properties Abutting the River or Creek.

This section governs all exterior signs on the riverside of public and private property abutting the San Antonio River and its extensions, San Pedro Creek, and all interior signs hung within ten (10) feet of an exterior fenestration, or those signs intended to be read by exterior patrons on the riverside of a building.

(9) Signage on Umbrellas or Street Furniture. Advertising brand name products may not be placed on umbrellas, tables, chairs, table decorations or other street furniture that are located on outdoor patio areas. Additionally, logos or wording of any kind may not be placed on umbrellas, tables, chairs, table decorations or other street furniture that are located on outdoor patio areas

Sec. 35-673. - Site Design Standards.

- (i) Street Furnishings. Street furnishings are exterior amenities, including but not limited to, tables, chairs, umbrellas, landscape pots, wait stations, valet stations, bicycle racks, planters, benches, bus shelters, kiosks, waste receptacles and similar items that help to define pedestrian use areas. Handcrafted street furnishings are particularly important in San Antonio, and therefore this tradition of craftsmanship and of providing street furniture is encouraged.
 - (1) Prohibited Street Furnishings in Riverwalk Area and San Pedro Creek Improvements Project. The following street furnishings are prohibited within the publicly owned portion of the River Walk area and SPCIP, whether or not the property is leased, and on the exterior of the river or creekside of buildings directly adjacent to the publicly owned portion of the river or creek:
 - A. Vending machines.
 - B. Automatic teller machines.
 - C. Pay phones.
 - D. Photo booths.
 - E. Automated machines such as, but not limited to, penny crunching machines, blood pressure machines, fortune-telling machines, video games, animated characters and other machines that are internally illuminated, or have moving parts, or make noise, or have flashing lights.
 - F. Inanimate figures such as horses, kangaroos, bears, gorillas, mannequins or any such animal, cartoon or human figure. This section does not affect public art as defined in Appendix "A" of this chapter.
 - G. Monitors (i.e., television screens, computer screens, digital displays, and video boards) except those

- permitted as part of a performing arts center digital display monitor pursuant to a specific use authorization.
- H. Speakers, except those permitted as part of a performing arts center digital display monitor pursuant to a specific use authorization.

(2) Street Furnishing Materials.

- A. Street furnishings shall be made of wood, metal, stone, terra cotta, cast stone, hand-sculpted concrete, or solid surfacing material, such as Corian or Surell.
- B. Inexpensive plastic resin furnishings are prohibited.

(3) Advertising on Street Furnishings.

- A. No commercial logos, trademarks, decals, product names whether specific or generic, or names of businesses and organizations shall be allowed on street furnishings.
- B. Product or business advertising is prohibited on all street furnishings.
- C. Notwithstanding the restrictions above, applications may be approved for purposes of donor or non-profit recognition.
- (4) Street furnishings, such as tables and chairs may not be stored (other than overnight storage) in such a way as to be visible from the river or creek pathway.

FINDINGS:

- a. The primary historic structure at 110 E Crockett is also known as the Chandler Building or Gage historic site, and is located within the Alamo Plaza Historic District and RIO-3. The request regarding the restaurant tenant which has an outdoor patio area on the River Walk side of the property.
- b. UMBRELLA The applicant has proposed to install umbrellas for patio tables that feature a multi-color design of tropical plantings. Umbrellas that feature a monochromatic or simple design with no logo or branding are typically eligible administrative approval per the UDC Sec. 35-681 and 35-673. Staff finds that that while the design contents of the proposed umbrellas are related to the branding of tenant Rainforest Café, the design does not include additional wording, animals, or objects that would distract from the general aesthetic of the River Walk.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the umbrellas as proposed based on findings b. Additional branding elements including wording, objects, or animals may not be added at any time without approval.





110 E CROCKETT

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