Town of

AMHERST *Massachusetts*

May 27, 2015

DRB Memorandum

Memo to:	Rob Morra, Building Commissioner
	Jonathan Tucker, Planning Director
From:	Christine Brestrup, Senior Planner
Subject:	DRB Meeting – May 26, 2015

The Tuesday, May 26, 2015, meeting of the Design Review Board began at approximately 7:05 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room/Library, Town Hall. Design Review Board members Michael Hanke, Jonathan Salvon and Derek Noble were present. Also present was Christine Brestrup, Senior Planner, and Gina and Ira Chaplain, applicants for "ärtefakt".

Board members reviewed the following application.

DRB 2015-00027 – Gina Chaplain for "ärtefakt" – 106 North Pleasant Street – Review of new sign

Recommended approval without conditions

The Board reviewed a proposed sign for **ärtefakt**, a new Asian art and antique shop that has recently opened on North Pleasant Street.

Gina and Ira Chaplain presented the design for the sign. They presented an image that had been submitted with the DRB application as well as a sketch including the additional words "gallery" and "fine Asian art and antiques".

The size of the sign is proposed to be 10' x 16", approximately 8.33% of the shop façade area.

The sign will consist of a wood board with the grain showing, painted white. On the wood board will be one of the following:

- Painted letters, probably in gray or silver
- Gray or silver colored letters torch cut out of steel
- Rust colored letters cut out of steel.

There are existing lights mounted above the sign area that will light the sign at night.

The sign will be professionally made.

There is also a small card (approximately 4" x 6") in the window with the hours of operation displayed on the card.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Cc: Gina Chaplain, Applicant
       Jim Wald, Select Board Liaison
       DRB Members
       Jennifer Gannett, Permit Administrator