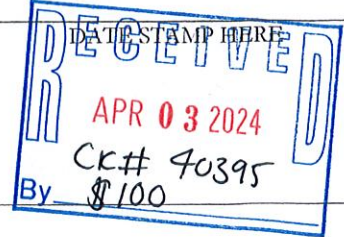




Newport Zoning Application

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Date: 3/20/2024

Board members:

The undersigned hereby petitions the Zoning Board of Review for a special use permit or a variance in the application of the provisions or regulations of the Zoning Ordinance affecting the following described premises in the manner and on the grounds hereinafter set forth.

Location of Premises

Street & No: 76 Bellevue Avenue

Tax Assessor's Plat: 26 Lot: 40 Zoning District: R-10

- Special Use Permit (Non-Conforming Alteration)
- Regulatory (Dimensional) Variance
- Special Use Permit (New Use)
- Use Variance
- Modification

Property Owner: Newport Art Museum

Mailing Address: 76 Bellevue Avenue

Email Address: bmillar@newportartmuseum.org

Phone Number: (401) 848-8200

How long have you been the owner of the above premise? _____

Legally Authorized Representative *if applicable: Danielle Ogden, Executive Director

Mailing Address: "

Email Address: d.ogden@newportartmuseum.org Phone Number: 401 848 8200

Lessee: _____

Mailing Address: NIA

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____



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Property Characteristics

Dimensions of lot-frontage: 207' ft. Lot Area: 83,888 sq. ft.

Are there buildings on the premises at present? Yes (2)

Total square footage of the footprint of existing buildings: Griswold 10,650 sq. ft. Cushings: 4,600

Total square footage of the footprint of proposed buildings: NIA sq. ft.

Zoning Characteristics Matrix

	Existing	Required/Allowed	Proposed
Lot Size (sq. ft.)	<u>83,888</u>		
Coverage Area (sq. ft.)			
Lot Coverage (%)			
Dwelling Units	<u>0</u>		
Parking (# of spaces)	<u>37</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>NIA</u>
Front Setback (ft.)	<u>92.2'</u>	<u>15'</u>	
Side Setbacks (ft.)	<u>33.8'</u>	<u>10'</u>	
Rear Setback (ft.)	<u>17.4'</u>	<u>20'</u>	
Height (ft.)			



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All of the following information and questions must be filled in and answered completely.

Present use of Premise: fine art museum

Proposed use of Premise: N/A

Summary of Proposed Alterations

Newport Art Museum is requesting permission to erect a 20'6" long x 2' high x 2" wide (lettering 10 3/4" tall) "Newport Art Museum" signage behind and over the stone wall along Bellevue Ave. The sign will not physically impact or alter the stone wall in any way. (visible sq. footage: 440.75 sq ft)

Visitors have consistently cited lack of signage and lack of physical visibility of the museum as a publicly-accessible institution vs a private residence, as a deterrant to visitation. The proposed sign will be designed and installed by The Steel Yard (Providence) and has been funded by the van Beuren Charitable Foundation. We received a Certificate of Appropriateness from the HDC 9/20/23.

We are requesting a variance under sign ordinance 17.76 to allow a "freestanding business sign" in our historic district and to exceed the business sign limit of 4 sq. ft. of sign area.



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Applicant Statement

How does your application meet the required standards for variance(s) or special use permit(s)?
(See page 6 for most common applicable standards)

The proposed sign was designed to solve our longstanding hurdle of a lack of visual/physical indication of the buildings' function as a publicly accessible museum.

We carefully considered the minimal amount of area that we could occupy, so that the sign would serve its purpose in identifying the institution and be legible from across Bellevue Ave or by car passing, but not pose an undue visual distraction from the beauty of the historic district and residential properties of our neighborhood.

We submitted a Sign Application (SP-24-5) via Newport City Hall's portal on 3/12/24. The HPC granted a Certificate of Appropriateness 9/20/23.

The sign will be durable enough and installed such that a passerby will not be able to easily warp or damage it, and all sharp joints and letters will be chamfered and blunted such that no one may injure themselves on it.



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Upon submittal of this application, please make sure you have also reviewed our Zoning Application Submittal Requirements packet, and included with your application, a copy of the Submittal Checklist which can also be found here: [Zoning Application Submittal Requirements](#). If an application is missing any submittal requirements and/or necessary application information, your application may be regarded incomplete. Incomplete applications will not be publicly advertised or appear on an agenda until the project is deemed complete.

By signing below, I hereby attest that the information provided is accurate and truthful. I also attest that I have read through this application thoroughly and understand what is required to submit a completed application.

Director of Operations



Applicant Signature

3/20/24

Date

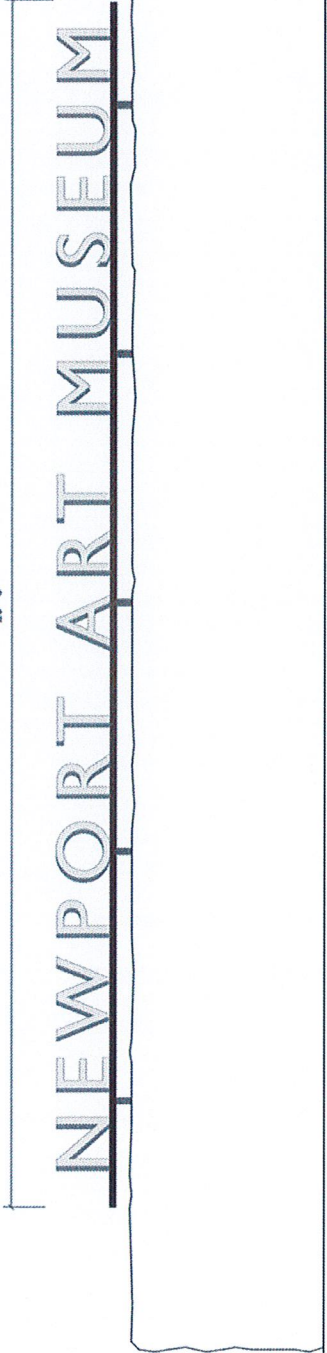


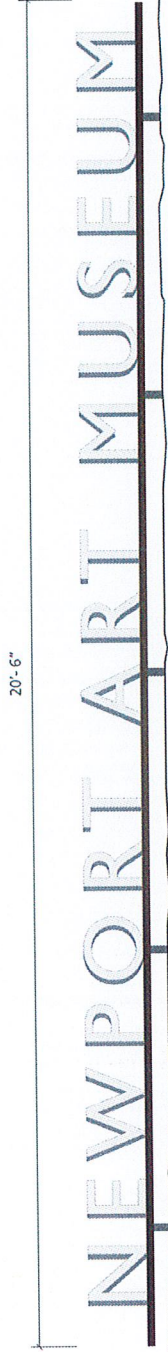
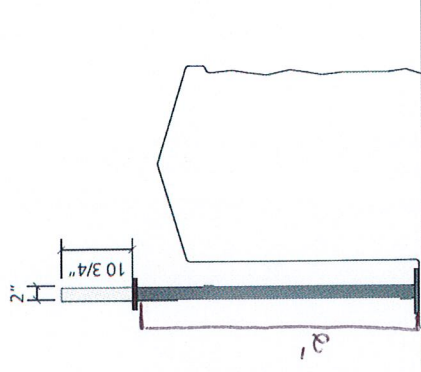
Owner Signature

3/20/24

Date

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STONE WALL

Measurements:

- The sign will start 44" from stone pillar markings gatehouse entrance (former) @ Old Beach Rd / Bellevue
- 4 posts will be installed 3 ft deep into the raised ground behind the stone wall
- = Visible sign area: 20' 6" long, letters are 10 3/4" tall and 2" thick = 440.75 sq. ft.
- Letters will be installed along / atop a railing 2' above the raised ground.
- The posts will be installed at least 6" away from the stone wall.



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September 20, 2023

Art Association of Newport
76 Bellevue Ave
Newport, RI 02840

Sent Via Email:

d.odgden@newportartmuseum.org
bmiller@newportartmuseum.org
Csearles@newportartmuseum.org

RE: Certificate of Appropriateness Application No.: 2023-May-14
Property: 76 Bellevue Ave Plat: 26– Lot: 040
Description of Proposed Work: Permission to install a freestanding sign along the rock wall on Bellevue Ave.

Dear Applicant:

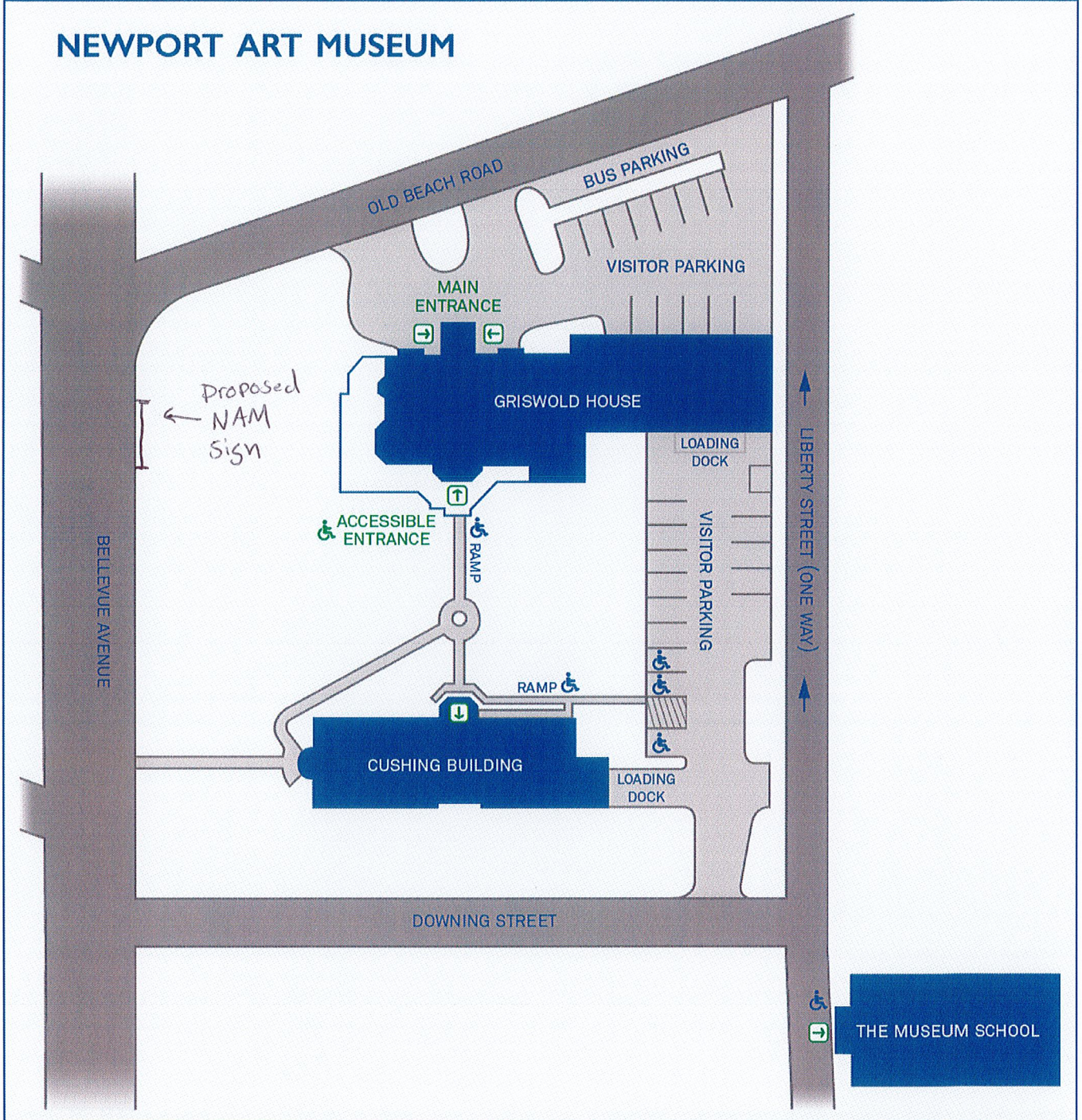
The above-referenced application was approved by the Historic District Commission on September 19, 2023 due to consistency with Newport Standards for Contributing Structures under Newport Municipal Code Section 17.80.060.A.1-7. This approval is valid for one (1) year from the date of approval, and may be extended for one (1) additional year if a written request is submitted and approved before the expiration of the original approval. Please retain this document for your records. Before beginning work, please obtain any required building permits from the Building Inspection's office.

Thank you,

Jillian Chin
Preservation Planner
City Hall, 43 Broadway
Newport, RI 02480
Tel: 401-845-5415
Email: jchin@cityofnewport.com

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Current frontage as seen from across Bellevue Ave.



Cristin Searles Bilodeau
Newport Art Museum
76 Bellevue Avenue
Newport, RI 02840

PROJECT ESTIMATE

Client: Cristin Searles Bilodeau, Newport Art Museum
Job: Newport Art Museum Signage and Sign Posts
Date: April 26, 2023

INTRODUCTION

The Steel Yard is an award-winning industrial arts center, a manufacturer of custom and functional public-art, a craft school and shared studio, and Providence's most unique private outdoor venue. The Steel Yard's historic campus is a platform for professional artists, makers and the community to practice and learn the industrial arts. The organization fosters creative and economic opportunities, by providing workspace, tools, training and education, while forging lasting links to a local tradition of craftsmanship.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Steel Yard will work with the Newport Art Museum in order to fabricate and install outdoor custom signage. After a contract is signed and deposit made, The Steel Yard will fabricate the signage out of 3/4" thick aluminum and mild steel in the Steel Yard shop. The letters on the sign will have a natural, brushed aluminum finish and the base of the sign will be finished with black gloss enamel. Banner posts will be powder coated for a durable finish. An estimated price for the installation of all items is included in this quote.

PRODUCT DETAILS:

Newport Art Museum signage

- Quantity: 1
- Height: ~2'
- Width: ~2"
- Length: ~ 20.5'
- Materials: Aluminum and mild steel 30% minimum recycled content
- Finish: Natural aluminum and black gloss enamel top coat for base
- Color: TBD
- Installation: installation is included in this estimate

ESTIMATED COST

The estimated cost to fabricate and install the Newport Art Museum signage is \$13,467.

INSTALLATION

Installation is included in this estimate.

TRADE REFERENCES

Truth Box, Inc., Peter Gill Case, Providence, RI 02909 Bristol, RI
Department of Community Development, Ed Tanner, Bristol, RI 02809

Memo Re: Sign Application submitted
by portal 3/20/24

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Re: Further Detail in this Sign Application for the Newport Art Museum at 76 Bellevue Avenue

Dear Zoning Department:

Due to the pull-down menus on the application questions, we are concerned that we were unable to communicate the full details of our sign request.


This sign will be designed, fabricated, and installed by The Steel Yard (Providence). As part of NAM's mission, we encourage collaboration with local artists and nonprofits and support local businesses. The Steel Yard was not an option to choose in the pre-populated database of contractors.

The proposed sign was approved by the HDC by hearing on 5/14/23 and will be funded by the van Beuren Charitable Foundation. The Museum does not currently possess main signage, only two 3'X8' metal banner posts that change regularly to show the exhibitions on view. Visitors have repeatedly cited lack of physical visibility of the Museum as a deterrent/barrier to visitation, often assuming the building to be an imposing private residence, due to the lack of pronounced signage.

We have attempted to answer all questions to the closest degree possible from the pull-down menus. We are ready, at your request and convenience, to convene in-person to ensure that plans are appropriately and transparently conveyed.

For further information, please contact me at (401) 619-7990 or bmiller@newportartmuseum.org

With gratitude,



Brandon Taylor Miller
Director of Operations
Newport Art Museum



Brandon Taylor Miller <bmillier@newportartmuseum.org>

Re: Introduction

Ti Dinh <ti@thesteelyard.org>

Wed, Feb 28, 2024 at 3:51 PM

To: Danielle Ogden <d.ogden@newportartmuseum.org>

Cc: Brandon Taylor Miller <bmillier@newportartmuseum.org>, Cristin Searles <csearles@newportartmuseum.org>, Chris Capone <ccapone@newportartmuseum.org>

Hi all! So good to meet with you yesterday. Some details that I promised to get to you:

1. I've picked two warm whites that could work. I'll order samples and send them to you at the museum but in the meantime Chris can the attached RAL color guide (the colors are: #9001 and #1013)
2. Measurements for zoning:
 1. The sign will start 44" in from the pillar
 1. This allows for an uninterrupted view from the park across the street.
 2. We will install 4 posts
 3. We will dig 3 feet deep (raised ground) and fill with cement for the posts.
 4. The railing will sit 2 feet off the ground.
 5. Letters are 10 3/4" tall, so the sign in total will be 35" tall from the ground
3. [Grant opportunity](#) for Cristian

Let us know if you have any questions!

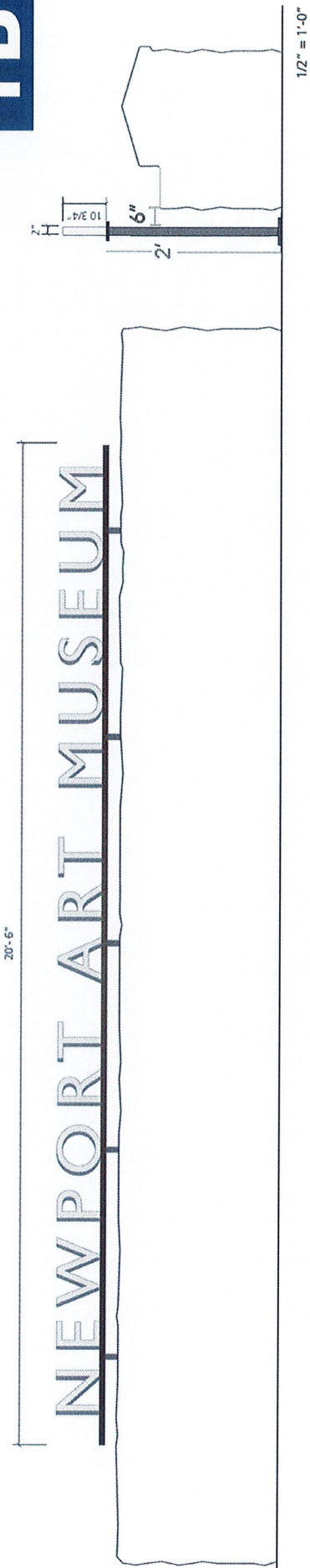
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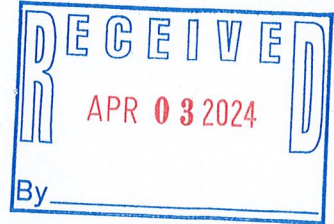




Newport Zoning Application Submittal Requirements

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- Special Use Permit (new) Variance
- Special Use Permit (modification) Modification

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SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

Applications that are missing materials in this checklist will not be accepted for review.

Section 1 – Application Forms – Page 3 of the Guide Required for All Projects

- A. Completed Zoning Project Application Packet comprised of the following individual sections:
 1. Zoning Project Application Form
 2. Completed copy of this Zoning Application Submittal Requirements Checklist (Page 2)
- B. Request to Waive any Submittal Requirements (if applicable)
- C. Application Fee (Please Refer to Current Fee Schedule)

Section 2 – Plan Package – Pages 4-7 of the Guide Required for All Development Projects (Involving New Structures, Additions, Exterior Alterations, etc.) Individual requirements of the Plan Package (listed below) may differ depending on the project

- A. Class I Site Survey
- B. Proposed Site Plan
- C. Lot Coverage Diagram - ? sign plans, dimensions, and renderings
- D. Floor Plans
- E. Stormwater Management Plan
- F. Landscape Plan
- G. Building Elevations
- H. Change of Use

Section 3 – Supporting Documents, Studies, Graphics, and Depictions – Page 8 of the Guide May be required for certain Development Projects

- A. Site Photographs
- B. Photo Simulations
- C. Structural Evaluation
- D. Parking Survey
- E. Traffic Impact Analysis