Development Activities Meeting Report (Version: 01/24/2024)

This report created by the Neighborhood Planner and included with staff reports to City Boards and/or Commissions.

Logistics	Stakeholders
Project Name/Address: 500 Ross Street	Groups Represented (e.g., specific organizations, residents, employees, etc. where this is evident):
Parcel Number(s): 2-F-220, 230, 250	Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership (PDP)
ZDR Application Number: BDA-2025-03473	Residents Downtown Applicant Team
Meeting Location: via Zoom	
Date : May 8, 2025	
Meeting Start Time: 5:00pm	
Applicant: Kolano Design	Approx. Number of Attendees: 12
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Boards and/or Commissions Request(s): Planning Commission approval required as proposed signs are larger than what is currently listed on Certificate of Occupancy.

How did the meeting inform the community about the development project?

Ex: Community engagement to-date, location and history of the site, demolition needs, building footprint and overall square footage, uses and activities (particularly on the ground floor), transportation needs and parking proposed, building materials, design, and other aesthetic elements of the project, community uses, amenities and programs.

"BNY Mellon" has a brand change to "BNY". Clean face – full face acrylic. Contemporary look. This request is for the logo mark switch.

Applicant showed the site plan and surrounding area. Showed existing sign locations on the building – there are now three signs. Showed zoning and sign code. Property is in the GT-B District which has a 2% allowance for each façade.

1st façade: allowed 1509 sf; requesting 672 sf. 2nd façade: allowed 1400 sf; requesting 672 sf. 3rd façade: allowed 1284 sf; requesting 672 sf.

Showed existing photos of each facade from various streets in downtown. Showed proposed signs by day and night. Black by day; white light by night. Provided a viewing diagram provided showing where in the city the sign is visible.

Input and Responses

Questions and Comments from Attendees	Responses from Applicants
Is existing signage on the other building coming down (on the tower).	Not concurrent with this project.
What is triggering planning commission?	The prior letter a different configuration required they be lower on the building. Allowed if the letters were the

	same, but they are not. So we need approval from Planning Commission.
Other Notes	

Responses from Applicants

Planner completing report: SJE

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