

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
Special MEETING MINUTES OF 2/20/2018 4:04pm

Present: Nancy McDonald, Scott Winter, Steve Schlamp, Katie Ludwig, Chris Fye, Jessica Modica-new member

Absent: Mike Meade, Jeannie Brinkmeier - wished to step down from the commission, Pam Borowski

Approval of agenda. Motioned to approve by Steve, seconded by Chris. Passed 6-0.

Jessica Modica was recognized as a Commission member.

Approval of the minutes from 1/16/18 and 1/29/18

Chris wanted to add to the 1/16/18 minutes that he was not faulting the City for the condition of the building, but that it should have come to the Commission before any work was done.

Nancy made a motion to approve the 1/16/18 and 1/29/18 minutes, seconded by Steve. Passed 5-0. Jessica abstained due to not being present at the prior meetings.

No public comments or communications

COA review-

Stands Salon –

The petitioner presented information pertaining to the awning, which will be tin, the color of the cedar siding and documentation about the doors/windows

Nancy asked about having longer windows. The petitioner stated that windows were extended since last time they were presented to the Commission. The window above the door was also extended and the window next to the door was made wider.

The door will remain where it is because there is a handicap accessible entry that meets code and it lines up with the back door.

The ceiling inside will be a corrugated tin. The outside will have a steel frame with the awning. The awning will extend approx. 2 feet, plus the boarder, from the building.

The signage will hang from the building and be made of steel with lights.

It was asked what the lap of the siding will be. The petitioner stated that it will be butted together, a picture was shown to explain this more.

The siding will be sealed with oil/latex stain. The color of the windows will be a grey steel.

It was recommendation that a glazed brick/tile that matched would have been nice. The petitioner stated that was looked at, but due to cost it was not chosen.

It was asked about the spacing of the windows. She stated that she did not know the exact measurements. A picture was shown to the commission to help with this question.

It was recommended that a traditional look would be to use a vertical piece of wood trim between windows instead of multiple horizontal ones. Also, under the windows create a panel system that would be a frame.

It was asked what the age of the building was. The petitioner stated that she attempted to do research through the library but was informed that the research would take some time. She added that the picture that she has of the building is the last picture that is on file in the library.

The Petitioner stated that she has made a lot of changes to the design of the building to conform to the commission, and she will use the recommendation of bringing the windows down and the vertical board, but she is not going to change the bottom.

No further discussion for the Strands COA review.

A Motion was entertained to approve the COA with modifications to trim between each window to vertical opposed to horizontal, from lintel to sidewalk and the infill to the horizontal/beveled. Receipts will need to be provided to receive payment.

No other conditions were made.

Motion to approve the COA was made by Steve and seconded by Katie.

Chris stated that he would happily abstain from voting on the COA for this property as he is the landlord/owner of the current property that Brittany, the petitioner, is in.

Scott stated that he did not see a problem with Chris voting as it is not pertaining to the property receiving the COA

The vote passed 6-0.

Deininger-

Nancy read an email from Deininger, who was not available to attend the meeting.

It stated that the paint color would remain the same and the track would be painted to match the existing paint color. The current logo on the windows will also be placed on the new windows.

Chris stated that the question was the size of the window and the color.

It was recommended that a sample of materials be presented to the commission and answer the question of what is being painted at the next meeting on March 20, 2018.

Other Business –

- In lieu of plaques on the building that will be receiving money from Paint the Port, it was discussed among the Paint the Port committee that the plaques be placed in the sidewalks in front of the buildings. This idea was presented to the City Manager and the Mayor, who stated that it should be reviewed by this committee.

The cost of cutting the sidewalk versus mounting on a building should be looked at. The wear and tear on the plaque being in the sidewalk was also a concern.

It was brought up that a plaque was not part of the application and the owner is responsible for the sidewalk as well.

It was recommended that the sidewalk plaque be put before the City Engineer for review, and that adding an option of the look of the plaque to fit the different building's façade.

A window sign/decal on the buildings was suggested.

The pricing of the bronze plaque was in the \$350-\$500 range

-Nancy stated that next month's meeting they could go over the codes and establish a timeline to review the next application for the façade grants. She suggested having the application available in June.

There has been some interest in the next round façade grants by Abet Books and possibly a reapplication by Ronnie London Jr.

It was suggested that a 60-day window for the applicants to have application before it is brought to the commission for a COA and an example be supplied.

It was decided that the next meeting would be used to look over the façade application and its process.

It was suggested that a grant writing session be attended to apply for the grant, and the committee supply some type of public awareness and resources.

It was also brought up that maybe the amount be raised from \$10,000 to allow for the applicants to be better able to have the work done the right way. It was proposed that this could be achieved by granting fewer COA's. It was mentioned that \$10,000 will go along way for a façade.

Also, to provide a resource guide to the applicants to help with the projects.

It was asked if the city has allotted funds for the commissions to use for things such as bringing in a consultant for a workshop. It was stated that would probably come from the Community Development budget and that budget is not receiving the full amount of revenue from the state at this time.

It was stated that the commission has had people from the Illinois Historic Preservation agency do workshops.

--recording ended

The Commission approved the February 20, 2018, minutes on March 20, 2018.

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