

**BLOOMINGTON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**Showers City Hall**

**McCloskey Room**

**Thursday January 22, 2015**

**5:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- IV. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**
  - STAFF APPROVALS**
  - A. COA-5-15**
    - 1100 East 2nd Street
    - Owner: Marcia Baron and Fred Schmitt
    - Removal of a tree and replacement of a salvage matching wooden window in an existing frame on the garage.
  - FULL COMMISSION REVIEW**
  - A. COA-3-15**
    - 727 West Kirkwood
    - Greater Prospect Hill Historic District
    - Petitioner: Matthew Waters, Btown Coins and Jewelry
    - Representative: Louis Levato
    - Signage package for a building on the corner of Maple and West Kirkwood
  - B. COA-4-15**
    - 727 West Kirkwood
    - Petitioner: Uel Zing
    - Sign on a retail bay with frontage on West Kirkwood
- V. NEW BUSINESS**
- VI. OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. Awards
  - B. Nore Winter visit
- VII. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**
- VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- X. ADJOURNMENT**

Next meeting date is Thursday February 12, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the McCloskey Room

**Posted: January 15, 2015**

**STAFF APPROVAL**

**Summary**

Request to remove a mature redbud tree growing into the foundation of a garage and to place a salvage window within an existing frame on the garage in Elm Heights

**COA-05-15**

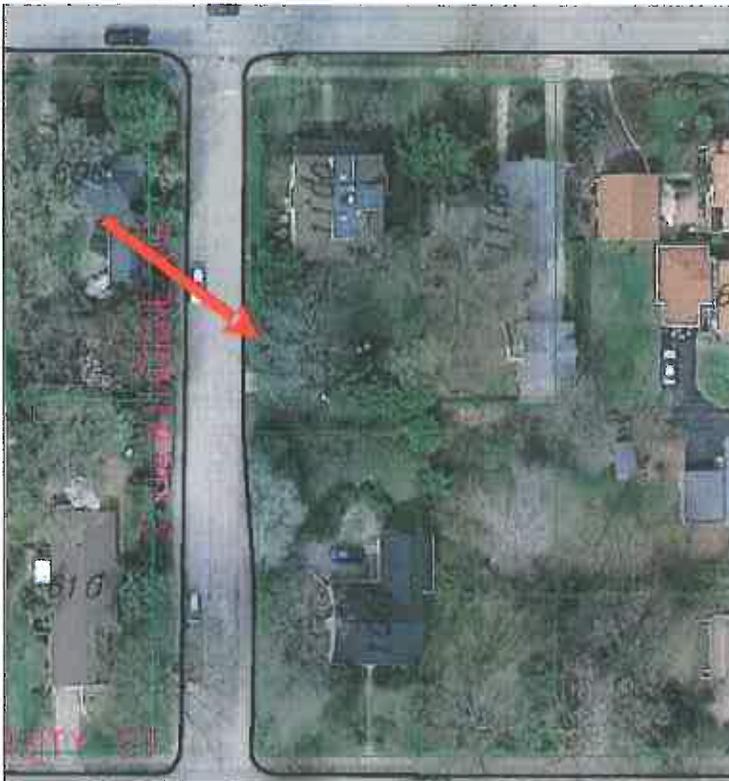
**1100 East Second Street**

**Elm Heights Historic District**

**Owner: Owner: Marcia Baron and Fred Schmitt**

**105-055-76091 N 1100 House; Queen Anne, c.1900**  
1900

**Zoning RC**



This corner property is classified as notable and is very early construction for the Elm Heights area. The modillions and Tuscan columns are familiar features of what may be a Nichols design. That suspicion is currently undocumented. The owners have decided to preserve a one car garage located at the southwest corner of the lot. The structure is visible from Hawthorne. As a part of this decision they will remove a mature redbud from the foundation and relocate a salvage window into an existing frame. The window will match an existing window on the garage. It is a wood



frame four-light window. Staff may approve tree removals where the prior is the stability of a historic structure. The window petition can be considered restoration. The Elm Height Subcommittee concurs with the project and the staff approval.



existing window opening

**Summary**  
**Request for two wall signs.**

**COA-3-15**

**727 West Kirkwood**  
**Greater Prospect Hill Historic District**  
**Owner : Matthew Waters**  
**Representative: Louis Levato**

**105-055-64318 C**      **723-27 Commercial; Eclectic, c.1925 NR**  
**CG**



This property is located at the corner of Maple and West Kirkwood. It is comprised of a collection of storefronts built into a residential property which faces Maple. We recently approved a sign at this location, but the business closed and there are new tenants. (COA-22-14) This was a larger single sign that featured wrought metal detailing. That sign was approved. (see below).

This application includes two wall signs, one to be placed under the gable and another to be placed on the sidewall at the northwest corner of the building. The sizes are both 3' x 8' with vinyl skin and metal and Styrofoam backing. The petitioner states that the fonts are taken from "a one hundred

dollar bill in 1900."



Since the filing, Planning staff visited the site and discovered that neon signs had been placed in the front windows. The zoning ordinance allows neon signs smaller than 1/4 the size of the window to be placed without a permit, however these signs, which were taken from the tenants previous location, are oversized and would have required a permit. There will be a meeting on Wednesday to resolve this issue.

Additionally two of the three tenants will be placing new signage and have applied for a permit. This provides an opportunity to better organize the signage on the building. The previous approval was also part of a violation and signage on this building has been chaotically applied and removed for several years.

Although the size of the two signs are within zoning standards, the meeting with planning staff next week may produce a change in the overall signage package, since the neon signs may have to be included in the package.

At this time staff can only comment that the sign seem cropped rather awkwardly at the top and bottom and perhaps need more margin or a frame.

Staff is not prepared to make a recommendation until other discussions take place..





**SIGN GOES HERE**







**Summary  
Request for a wall sign.**

**COA-4-15**

**727 (5) West Kirkwood  
Greater Prospect Hill Historic District  
Owner : Uel Zing Coffee Lab  
Representative: Sam Sveen**

**105-055-64318 C 723-27 Commercial; Eclectic, c.1925 NR  
CG**



This property is also located in the building at the corner of Maple and West Kirkwood. However this retail space only has frontage on Kirkwood. It is located just east of the previous applicant, in a separate retail space.

The building was previously remodeled to make the ceiling higher which resulted in a large flat space above the entrance. Rather recently that space has been used for signage by several tenants. Under historic district standards signage is reviewed.

This is an application for a single wall sign and it will be placed on a pre-existing bulkhead over the stoop. The size of the sign is within zoning standards. The background boards will be painted

yellow with vinyl letters that are 25 ft wide and 1.2 feet tall.

This design seems to overwhelm the building and its placement is unusual coupled with the other new signage, it will overshadow the architectural interest that the building does have. The Commission does not have guidelines for signage in this district. So the appropriate way to assess these signs is their impact to the building.

Staff invited Commissioners to comment on the appropriateness of this sign in placement, design. The owner has said that he maintains flexibility, so staff believes input would be welcome.

Uel Zing Coffee Lab storefront signage, 725 W Kirkwood Ave, Bloomington

North ↑ 20 ft



Proposed wall sign directly on building over previous sign placement, width of building 30 ft.  
Scale: 1 inch = 10 ft.  
To equal allotted 30 sq ft of sign, text is 25 ft wide x 1.2 ft tall  
Wood painted yellow with brown lettering made of vinyl stickers.  
Facing Kirkwood Avenue, 19 feet from where sign would meet the ground to the curb edge