

**Bloomington Historic Preservation Commission**

**Special Meeting**

**Zoom:** <https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/95852185508?pwd=M3J2aDgrdjdXaWh1QUN3eWRKYThKQT09>

**Meeting ID:** 958 5218 5508 **Passcode:** 082945

**Thursday November 17, 2022, 5:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by **Chair John Saunders @ 5:04 p.m.**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:**

John Saunders (Present)  
Elizabeth Mitchell (Present)  
Doug Bruce (Present)  
Reynard Cross (Present)  
Sam DeSollar (Present)

**Advisory Members Present:**

Duncan Campbell (Present)  
Chris Sturbaum (Electronic)

**Staff Present:**

Gloria Colom, HAND (Present-Entered meeting @ 5:10 p.m.)  
Brent Pierce, HAND (Present)  
Mike Rouker, City Legal Department

**Guests Present:**

James Farkas (Electronic)  
CATS (Present)  
Bill Shank (Present)  
Peter Dorfman (Electronic)  
Terry Cole (Present)

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. OCTOBER 13, 2022

**Sam DeSollar** made a motion to approve **October 13, 2022 Minutes**.

**John Saunders** seconded.

**Motion Carries: 4 Yes (DeSollar, Saunders, Mitchell, Cross), 1 Abstain (Bruce), 0 No.**

**Commission Review**

**B. COA 22-82 (Appealing 22-72)**

1304 E 2nd St. (Elm Heights Historic District)

Petitioner: Terry Cole

*Window Replacement (Post action)*

**Gloria Colom** gave presentation. See packet for details.

**Terry Cole** stated that she was unaware that this house was in a **Historic District**, and would not have replaced these windows if she had known. **Terry Cole** stated that when she reads through the statute and the guidelines, over and over again the words visual compatibility is used. Terry Cole stated that she would like to be able to ensure that what was done to the house is visually compatible, without tearing out these windows and replacing them. More discussion ensued. See packet for details. **Sam DeSollar** asked if there was any feedback from the **Neighborhood**. **Gloria Colom** stated that she had not.

**Duncan Campbell** commented that sometimes this happens sometimes intentionally and sometimes not intentionally, and this information should have been listed. **Gloria Colom** clarified that the real estate company did mention that it was a **Historic Neighborhood**, but they did not say a **Historic District** or use legal terminology. More discussion ensued. See packet for details. **Gloria Colom** recommended the **Commission** extend the case for another 30 days.

**Doug Bruce** made a motion to extend **COA 22-82 for 30 days**.

**Sam DeSollar** seconded.

**Motion Carries: 5 yes (Cross, Mitchell, Saunders, DeSollar, Bruce), 0 Abstain, 0 No.**

**C. COA 22-83**

520 W Kirkwood Ave. (Near West Side Conservation District)

Petitioner: Bill Shank

*Partial Demolition, removal of a chimney.*

**John Saunders** gave presentation. See packet for details.

**Sam DeSollar** asked for clarification on what the **Petitioner** was requesting.

**Sam DeSollar** asked the **Petitioner** if the windows were original. **Chris Sturbaum** asked what the **Staff Recommendation** was for this petition. **Duncan Campbell** asked **Bill Shank** if the chimney was in use. **Bill Shank** stated that the chimney was in use and that this was what he did not like about it and explained the reasons. **Duncan Campbell** asked if there was a liner in the chimney and stated that there are ways to repair the chimney that would be an option. More discussion ensued. See packet for details. **Reynard Cross** asked for clarification on whether the **Commission** was requiring the **Petitioner** to rebuild the chimney or if this is what the **Petitioner** was requesting. **Doug Bruce** agreed with **Duncan Campbell** about the cost of replacing the chimney opposed to sealing or tuck pointing. More discussion ensued. See packet for details.

**Peter Dorfman** the head of the **Design Review Committee** for the **Near West Side Neighborhood Association** stated that he wanted to express his dismay that this application even made it on to your calendar tonight. **Peter Dorfman** stated that this was a conservation district and that there is a process that goes along including partial demolitions in a conservation district, and that you are supposed to get in touch with the **Design Review Committee** for the neighborhood. **Gloria Colom** clarified that the **Petitioners** are under no obligation to get in contact with the community. It is a courtesy. And it is preferred. What is an obligation is for the community to receive all of the information and have time to respond.

**Peter Dorfman** stated then out of courtesy we would have appreciated an earlier communication of this application. More discussion ensued. See packet for details.

**Sam DeSollar** made a motion to **extend COA 22-83 for 30 days.**

**Doug Bruce** seconded.

**Motion Carries: 5 Yes (Cross, Mitchell, Saunders, DeSollar, Bruce), 0 Abstain, 0 No**

**D. COA 22-84**

120 N Walnut St. (Courthouse Square Historic District)

Petitioner: Jill and James Farkas

*New Signage*

**Gloria Colom** gave presentation. See packet for details.

**James Farkas** stated that he did not want to do anything that will hurt the building.

**Duncan Campbell** asked if the **Petitioners** preference was to have the awning.

**Sam DeSollar** asked if the awning as shown is in the same position as the existing awning

**Sam DeSollar** asked if he was seeing a blade sign projecting out from the awning,

because the **Courthouse Square** area did not like these. **Chris Sturbaum** asked if the

red line around the windows was part of the signage. More discussion ensued. See packet for details.

**Sam DeSollar** made a motion to **approve COA 22-84. With the caveat that they only Approving the awning.**

**Reynard Cross** seconded.

**Motion Carries: 5 Yes (Bruce, DeSollar, Saunders, Mitchell, Cross), 0 Abstain, 0 No.**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Update on COA 22-78**

**VI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting was adjourned by John Saunders @ 5:59 p.m.**

**END OF MINUTES**

**Video record of meeting available upon request.**