

BLOOMINGTON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Showers City Hall

McCloskey Room

Thursday, January 26, 2017 5:00 P.M.

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Chairman, John Saunders.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioners

John Saunders

Sam DeSollar

Lee Sandweiss

Deb Hutton

Jeff Goldin

Duncan Campbell

Chris Sturbaum – arrived at 5:20 pm.

Staff

Bethany Emenhiser – HAND

Alison Kimmel – HAND

Philippa Guthrie – Legal

Sean Starowitz – ESD

Guests

Mary Catherine-Carmichael – 925 E. University

Susan Su – 122 S. College St.

Georg'ann Cattelona - Self

Nicholas Carder – Stansy & Horn

Maurice Garnier – 925 E. University

Christine Matheu – 925 E. University

Marc Cornett – 613 N. Lincoln

Rob Friedman – 613 N. Lincoln

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 12, 2017

Jeff Goldin made a motion to approve the minutes from January 12, 2017. **Sam DeSollar** seconded. **Motion Carried 5/0/0 (Yes/No/Abstain)**

IV. CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

Staff Review

A. COA-17-03

811 W. 3rd St.: Greater Prospect Hill

Petitioner: Stephanie Biehn

Removal of two intrusive trees on either side of the house that have potential to impact the primary structure.

Bethany Emehiser gave presentation. See packet for details.

Commission Review

A. COA-17-01

Continued from January 12, 2017

925 E. University St.: Elm Heights

Petitioner: Matheu Architects

Request to add a second floor dormer to the front façade, replace front picture window with Marvin double-hung painted metal clad windows to match existing, and restore garage door with an overhead garage door.

Bethany Emehiser gave presentation. See packet for details.

Christine Matheu stated she took the feedback from last meeting and drew 4 different options (A-D). She explained options A-D.

Maurice Garnier explained they moved to this house because his wife is unable to climb stairs anymore, and this house allows them to live on one level. He explained they live a very energy-efficient lifestyle and by allowing a dormer to be put in, it would help the house by adding more light and breeze.

Georg'ann Cattelona introduced herself. She lives directly across the street from this house. She is in full support of all changes.

Mary Catherine-Carmichael introduced herself. She lives west of this house. She is in full support of all changes.

John Saunders asked for a review of the staff report. **Bethany Emehiser** stated she did a report on options A-C. Option D was not commented on, due to it being submitted on the day of the meeting. See packet for details.

Jeff Goldin asked what the front of the dormer wall lined up with. **Christine Matheu** stated it lined up with the porch wall.

Chris Sturbaum asked if the 4 windows were necessary in the dormer. **Christine Matheu** stated she put 4 windows in because she liked 4 windows.

Jeff Goldin agreed the house does not contribute to the neighborhood and is supportive of the change.

Chris Sturbaum commented he supports the changes.

Lee Sandweiss stated she drove by the house and agrees it does not blend with neighborhood. She is supportive of the changes, but does not like going against neighborhood guidelines.

Sam DeSollar stated any option the architect has proposed would be an improvement to the house. The house is plain and not interesting, however it is a contributing structure. The commission's job is to not be an aesthetic interpreter, but to enforce the neighborhood guidelines. He is in support of changing the garage door and the front door only.

Chris Sturbaum made a motion to approve **COA-17-01** option D. **Jeff Goldin** seconded. **Motion carried 5/1/0 (Yes/No/Abstain)**

B. COA-17-02

Continued from January 12, 2017

204 N. Walnut St. (Princess Theater): Courthouse Square

Petitioner: Logan Hunter

Request to remove existing awning, reinstall window grids, infill the existing doors on box office, install two wall mounted gas lanterns, and install theater curtains behind pilasters.

COA-17-02 was withdrawn. No presentation was given.

C. COA-17-03

122 S. College Ave.: Courthouse Square

Petitioner: Susan Su

Request to restore wood storefront system and remove non-historic storefront system.

Bethany Emenhiser gave presentation. See packet for details.

Susan Su commented they would not know the conditions behind the stone until they pulled it off the building. She thought it looked decent from the back side.

Lee Sandweiss asked if the limestone beneath the windows was going to be removed. **Susan Su** commented the limestone is going to be removed, especially since it is already corroding.

Sam DeSollar asked if the panels were going to be replaced with something similar if they did have water damage. **Susan Su** stated they would be, but they will not know what is behind until they take the existing limestone material off.

Sam DeSollar made the motion to approve **COA-17-04**. **Jeff Goldin** seconded. **Motion carried 5-0-0.**

V. DEMOLITION DELAY

A. Demo Delay 17-01

613 N. Lincoln St.

Petitioner: Marc Cornett

Partial demolition.

Bethany Emenhiser gave presentation. See packet for details.

Marc Cornett explained their proposal of what they want to do to the roof and bedrooms. If approved, the home would look better aesthetically and be returned to its original state.

Chris Sturbaum asked if the gable-L was added to cover something on the porch. **Marc Cornett** stated the changes were made prior to the current owner's purchase of the property. **Rob Friedman** stated it was like that when it was purchased. **Chris Sturbaum** asked if this was a single-family residence. **Marc Cornett** stated it is single family and a rental and will remain one. **Chris Sturbaum** asked if they were going to change the current aluminum siding. **Marc Cornett** stated if the siding can be saved, they will save it.

Duncan Campbell asked if the 1/1 double hung windows that were shown in the drawing were going to be installed, since that is not what is currently on the structure. **Bethany Emehiser** stated we have no jurisdiction over the windows. **Duncan Campbell** stated he was only commenting because he feels it is unnecessary to replace original material if it is not needed. **Duncan Campbell** asked if the far overhang was coming off as well. **Marc Cornett** stated it would be rebuilt as a more conventional overhang.

John Saunders asked if the siding was going to be replaced where there were windows and doors previously. **Marc Cornett** stated it would be.

Deb Hutton commented the horizontal porch beams are crooked.

Sam DeSollar stated he appreciates the project and the work they are going to put into it.

Duncan Campbell agreed with Sam.

Jeff Goldin made a motion to approve **Demolition Delay 17-01**. **Sam DeSollar** seconded. **Motion carried 6-0-0 (Yes/No/Abstain)**

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Sean Starowitz introduced himself. He stated he had been working with Bethany Emehiser on a couple of projects he and others have planned for Bloomington. Some of the projects include historical buildings from Bloomington.

John Saunders read the encomium of Marjorie Hudgins.

Bethany Emehiser spoke about Historic Preservation Month in May. Ideas of cemetery tours and workshops were talked about.

Bethany Emehiser also talked about the state-wide conference. She stated two scholarships are offered by the Historic Preservation Commission.

Bethany Emehiser stated she is planning quarterly educational outreach events.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. BHPC 2017 Election of Officers

John Saunders stated he will remain Chairman. Jeff Goldin will become Vice Chair. Sam DeSollar will remain secretary/treasurer.

Chris Sturbaum made a motion to approve HPC officers for 2017. **Lee Sandweiss** seconded. **Motion carried 6/0/0 (Yes/No/Abstain).**

VIII. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Lee Sandweiss asked how many vacancies were on the commission. **Bethany Emenhiser** stated there are 2 vacancies.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

NONE

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.