

MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Special Meeting
Monday, June 29, 2015
City Hall, Room 210
4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Ald. Mark Steuer, Vice Chairperson Jacqueline Frank, Roger Retzlaff, Dave Boyce, Dennis Doucette

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Jeanine Mead

MEMBERS ABSENT: Susan Ley

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Flatt, Quinn Kerwin, Steve Metzler, Besty Gallagher

1. DESIGN REVIEWS

- a. Review and discuss the deck replacement at 1136 S. Monroe Ave.

Steve Metzler contractor for Metzler Construction is present on behalf of the property owners. R. Retzlaff asked if the permit should read "porch replacement" and Mr. Metzler agreed. R. Retzlaff also advised S. Metzler on the methods for reworking the front porch, replacing shakes on the front of the house, and repair of stucco piers. All materials will be replaced, as the current porch is a safety hazard. Replacement materials will be wood and S. Metzler will match the existing appearance.

Motion made by R. Retzlaff to approve the porch replacement at 1136 S. Monroe Ave., seconded by D. Boyce. All in favor. Motion carried subject to the following conditions: the railing height must be maintained at the existing and original dimension and the porch upholds the original appearance in all respects. Supplemental repair of shakes and stucco is included.

- b. Review and discuss the deck replacement at 625 S. Jackson St.

Quinn Kerwin, homeowner, is present for the meeting. Q. Kerwin stated that the existing deck was present at the time of purchase in 1988. Q. Kerwin has removed the original deck and wants to replace it. The plans show construction of a deck appearing similar to the original with two symmetrical projections. R. Retzlaff recommended keeping the traditional railing to improve the value of the home. J. Flatt added that the individual tongue and groove boards need to be stained and preserved before final installation to ensure the integrity of the project. Work is to be completed by the homeowner.

Motion made by R. Retzlaff to approve the deck replacement at 625 S. Jackson St., seconded by D. Doucette. Four in favor, one abstention (J. Frank). Motion carried with the condition to maintain traditional appearance of the railing.

- c. Review and discuss the sign permit for 128 N. Broadway

Property owner, Betsy Gallagher was present. B. Gallagher stated that the intent is to relocate the existing sign from 235 N. Broadway to the 128 N. Broadway location. The existing brackets will remain in place at 235 N. Broadway. There is no documentation showing the sign or the mounting. The sign is not illuminated. The HPC has approved this sign previously.

Motion made by J. Frank to approve the sign permit, seconded by D. Boyce. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

2. **CONTINUING BUSINESS**

- a. Update on the "Architecture, Planning, and Politics" presentation at the Neville Public Museum on July 14.

Ald. Steuer and J. Flatt spoke on the preliminary preparation of the PowerPoint presentation that will be given by Ald. Steuer at the Neville Public Museum on July 14 at 7:00 p.m. A walking tour of the Broadway District will follow the talk.

Motion to receive and place on file.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion on proposed playhouse at 727 S. Quincy St., in the Astor Neighborhood-Information provided by Kim Flom

Motion to receive and place on file.

- b. Review City Raze/Repair Orders and Demolitions

Discussion centered on Mary Sue Banks including J. Flatt in the HPC email list. This would allow J. Flatt advanced notice to prepare photos of the properties being discussed. J. Flatt would then e-mail the photos to the HPC members to keep them informed.

The HPC would also like to receive follow up information regarding action taken on the property by the owner.

Motion to receive and place on file.

- 4. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** July 13, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

5. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by R. Retzlaff, seconded by Ald. Steuer. All in Favor. Motion carried.