

REPORT OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION / DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

August 5, 2020 – 2:00 PM
Zoom Conference Call Meeting

PRESENT: Chairperson Beveridge, Alderperson Jennings, Commissioner McComb, Commissioner Siebert, Commissioner Scripps, and Commissioner Debauche, and Commissioner McFarland.

ALSO PRESENT: Director Kernosky, Associate Planner/Zoning Administrator Kuhn, Mike Beacom, Keith Biesack, Angie Novak, Sara Brish, Gene Schulfer and unidentified audience members via Virtual Zoom Meeting.

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4. Request from Angie Novak, on behalf of Sentry Insurance, for a design review to perform exterior improvements at 1105 Main Street (Parcel ID 281240832202653).
5. Request from Gene Schulfer for a design review to install a wall sign at 1417 Main Street (Parcel ID 281240832100604).
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7. Adjourn

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1. Roll Call

Present: Jennings, McComb, Siebert, Scripps, Debauche, McFarland

Absent: Beveridge

With Chair Beveridge being absent at the beginning of the meeting, a temporary Chairperson was nominated. Motion made by Commissioner Debauche, seconded by Commissioner Siebert, to nominate Alderperson Jennings as temporary Chairperson.

Motion carried 5-0.

2. Report of the April 8, 2020 meeting

Motion by Commissioner Siebert to approve the report of the December 4, 2019 HP/DRC Meeting; seconded by Commissioner McComb.

Motion carried 5-0.

3. Request from Mike Beacom for a facade improvement grant and design review to install a second exit door, replace existing windows and doors, and perform other improvements to the facade at 1221 Second Street (Parcel ID 281240832201509).

A summary of the request was provided by Associate Planner Kuhn in which approval of the request was recommended. The applicants, Mike Beacom and Keith Biesack, followed by presenting additional information of the purpose of the request.

Commissioners had the following comments:

1. Inquiry as to the purpose of a jump platform.
2. Inquiry as to next steps after the tile is removed. The applicant stated that as they are unaware what is under the tile, what would be done following its removal would be decided then.
3. Statements of approval and disapproval of the second egress door being located in the front of the building.
4. The building is a satisfactory business location within the downtown.

Motion by Commissioner Scripps to approve the request for a façade improvement grant and design review to install a second exit door, replace existing windows and doors, and perform other improvements to the façade at 1221 Second Street; seconded by Commissioner Siebert.

Motion carried 3-2.

4. Request from Angie Novak, on behalf of Sentry Insurance, for a design review to perform exterior improvements at 1105 Main Street (Parcel ID 281240832202653).

A summary of the request was provided by Associate Planner Kuhn in which approval of the request was recommended. The applicants, Angie Novak and Sara Brish, followed by presenting additional information of the purpose of the request.

Commissioners had the following comments:

1. Statements approving the signage location and overall design of the proposal.

Motion by Commissioner Siebert to approve the request for a design review to perform exterior improvements at 1105 Main Street; seconded by Commissioner McComb.

Motion carried 5-0.

5. Request from Gene Schulfer for a design review to install a wall sign at 1417 Main Street (Parcel ID 281240832100604).

A summary of the request was provided by Associate Planner Kuhn in which approval of the request was recommended. The applicant, Gene Schulfer, followed by presenting additional information of the purpose of the request.

Commissioners had the following comments:

1. Statement over whether the sign design matches the building's architecture.
2. Commended how transparent they were in providing information prior to the meeting of the Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Beveridge to approve the request for a design review to install a wall sign at 1417 Main Street; seconded by Alderperson Jennings.

Motion carried 5-0.

6. Staff Update

Director Kernosky provided updates on the following:

1. Trash canvass project is well underway, with most trash receptacles being painted.

2. Did not receive federal approval for the Clark Street-Main Street Historic District designation. State approval was awarded in April.
7. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 3:11 PM.