



**CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE**  
**JUNE 2022 DOWNTOWN ADVISORY BOARD**  
Downtown Program Office | 125 Fifth Avenue West, Suite 200 | Hendersonville NC  
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Tuesday, June 14, 2022 – 4:00 PM

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## MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

In attendance: Caroline Gunther, Carole Sitzler, Mark Pavao, Matthew Hickman, John Ryan, Walt Slagel, Julie Buckman, Jerry Fitzgerald, Patsy DuPre, Chris Cormier

Councilwoman Debbie Roundtree (council liaison)

Public present: Fred Nace, Phil Wilmot

Absent: Jared Bellmund, Joe Dinan, Anthony McMinn (ex officio)

Staff present: Jamie Carpenter, Meredith Friedheim, Lew Holloway, Dakota Parker

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A roll call vote was taken to approve the agenda.

Caroline Gunther, Carole Sitzler, Mark Pavao, Matthew Hickman, John Ryan, Walt Slagel, Julie Buckman, Jerry Fitzgerald, Patsy DuPre, Chris Cormier voted to approve.

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### 1. May 2022 Downtown Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Jerry Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the minutes. Matthew Hickman seconded. A roll call vote was taken to approve the minutes. Caroline Gunther, Carole Sitzler, Mark Pavao, Matthew Hickman, John Ryan, Walt Slagel, Julie Buckman, Jerry Fitzgerald, Patsy DuPre, Chris Cormier voted to approve.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Downtown Noise Ordinance Update

J. Carpenter reviewed updates to the downtown noise ordinance. Currently the noise ordinance states that any business in the Municipal Service District requires doors and windows to be shut if any music or noise is being made indoors.

Staff met and proposed an update of closing doors and windows after midnight until 11am.

The board had a discussion regarding this topic.

Businesses that have outdoor patio and seating areas are not a part of this, they are related to the rest of the noise ordinance.

L. Holloway gave a historical context for the purpose of the ordinance and when it was adopted. There was a restaurant downtown that had residences across the street.

Patsy DuPre expressed that it is a good idea to enforce the noise ordinance and questioned why midnight as opposed to 10pm or 11pm.

Staff indicated that it was because this would have minimal impact on businesses by adding in the time limitation.

C. Gunther expressed that we should not make rules for current operations but for potential future operations (in favor of changing the time to 2am).

Further discussion related to noise and enforcement continued.

Matthew Hickman made a motion to recommend the staff proposed time be adjusted to 2am to 9am. A Chris Cormier seconded. A roll call vote was taken Caroline Gunther, Carole Sitzer, Matthew Hickman, John Ryan, Walt Slagel, Julie Buckman, Jerry Fitzgerald, Chris Cormier.

Mark Pavao and Patsy DuPre voted no.

## 2. Façade Grant Approvals

Facade grants were reviewed by the Community Character team for 713, 711, and 719 Maple Street. Patsy DuPre made a motion to affirm the recommendation from the Community Character team. Walt Slagel seconded.

A Roll Call vote was taken: Caroline Gunther, Carole Sitzer, Mark Pavao, Matthew Hickman, John Ryan, Walt Slagel, Julie Buckman, Jerry Fitzgerald, Patsy DuPre, Chris Cormier

## 3. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Designation Committee + HPC Partnerships

J. Carpenter updated on the designation committee and future Historic Preservation Commission partnerships regarding façade grants and design standards for the 7th Avenue district.

## 4. Future Project Approvals

J. Carpenter presented an outline for managing future projects as there were concerns related to the sidewalk mural not following what was approved.

There was further discussion related to if there is anything that can be done currently to the sidewalk mural to remedy the issue and it was determined that it is better left as is and use that for future reference.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT