

Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting—June 25, 2024

Present: Elizabeth Jones, Jane Camp, Laura Powell, Chuck Bradley

Absent: Marc Hammes

Staff: Brad Callender, Director of Planning & Development
Laura Wilson, Code Admin

Visitors: Hannah Smith, Debra Smith, Chris Collin, Donnie Wright, Jacob Doster

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Motion to approve agenda as submitted

Motion Camp, Second Bradley
Motion carried

Chairman Jones asked if there were any changes or corrections to the May 28, 2024 minutes.
To approve minutes as submitted.

Motion by Powell, Second by Bradley
Motion carried

Old Business:

The First item of Old Business: Request for COA #3196, a request for a fence at 244 Boulevard. The applicant and property owner, Hannah Smith is requesting a mixed material fence; chain link along the front and sides with a wooden privacy fence in the back. The applicant spoke in favor of the application.

Chairman Jones? Will the chain link only be going down the sides?

Smith: There is a cut in the front as well.

Chairman Jones read a section from the Primer (page 52) regarding the shape and design of a fence.

Commissioner Bradley: The fence in the front could be a privacy fence or another material like aluminum or iron; it would have better aesthetics.

Smith: What about a wooden picket fence?

Camp: A wooden picket would like nice with a privacy fence in the back; I do not think the combination of media (chain link and wood) is going to do anything for your house.

Chairman Jones: Any questions from the public? No

Motion to approve wood picket fence along the front and sides of house with a privacy fence in the back

Motion by Camp, Second by Bradley
Motion carried

New Business:

The First Item of New Business: Request for COA #3255, a request for updated signage at 127 N Lumpkin St. The space is currently occupied by Strange Taco and High Voltage restaurants. The two menus have combined and

formed into one restaurant—High Voltage Wing & Taco Bar. The old High Voltage sign will be removed and the new sign will go where the current Strange Taco sign is. Levi Dilly will paint the new sign. Applicant and owner, Chris Collin spoke in favor of the project. Discussion continued regarding how to remove the old High Voltage sign from the brick and Collin confirmed they are working with someone who specializes in historic brick.

Chairman Jones: Any questions from the public? No

Motion to approve as submitted

Motion by Powell, Second by Camp
Motion carried

The Second Item of New Business: Request for COA #3257, a request for a new sign at 110 Court St for Rosenthal Wright Attorneys at Law. The sign is a brass plaque that will be placed on the front of the building. Donnie Wright spoke in favor of the application.

Chairman Jones: Any questions from the public? No

Motion to approve as submitted

Motion by Bradley, Second by Camp
Motion carried

The Third Item of New Business: Request for COA #3258, a request for a fence at 104 Norris St. Property owner and applicant, Jacob Doster, is requesting a chain link fence around a portion of the rear property to help contain a dog to the rear yard. Chairman Jones read page 52 of the Primer out loud which discusses how fences should be compatible in shape, color, and mass to other fences in the area and relate to the design of the building. The house is located on the corner of Duke and Norris streets and Chairman Jones is concerned about the high visibility of the proposed chain link fence.

Chairman Jones: Would you be able to put up more of a privacy/picket fence? Especially down that side (Duke)
Doster: I am concerned it would look less appropriate because all you will see is fence and it will look like a fortress.

Chairman Jones: Ideally, you would want a picket fence but that is hard to do with an animal—discussion continued regarding type/height of fence, painting the fence black, plantings around the fence, and how far back along the property line the fence will go.

Chairman Jones: Any questions from the public? No

Motion to approve a black chain link fence with plantings around it

Motion by Camp, Second by Powell
Motion carried

Motion to adjourn

Motion by Camp, Second by Bradley
Motion carried

Adjourned at 6:36 pm