



MINUTES OF THE
LAFAYETTE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

April 26, 2021

7:00 pm

Council Chambers, City Hall

Commission Members in Attendance: John Burns, Julie Ginn, Sean Lutes, Shawna McCully, Patti Morgan, Amy Paget, Glen Vick and Kurt Wahl

Absent: Kevin Klinker

Staff in Attendance: Dennis Carson, Economic Development Director; John Collier, Economic Development Asst. Director; Michelle Conwell, Economic Development

Others in Attendance: Debra Kneal, Ken McCammon

Call to Order

Noting a quorum, President John Burns called the meeting of the Lafayette Historic Preservation Commission to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of the Minutes

Sean Lutes moved to recommend approval of the of the March 29, 2021 meeting minutes. Shawna McCully seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Public Relations and Education Committee- No report

District Committee

A petition to expand the existing **Local Downtown Historic District** to include **10 N. 4th Street** was submitted by owners John Gambs & Robert Bauman. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioners and stated that the building is an Italianate style that at one time was a mercantile. Historic Preservation Officer, Dann Keiser, confirmed that it is rated as notable and warrants inclusion into the local district. Julie Ginn made a motion to approve the petition, Shawna McCully seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A petition to expand the existing **Local Perrin/Cason St. Historic District** to include **1526 Cason St.** was submitted by owners Derek Johnson and Amy Lageveen. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioners and stated that the home is a Queen Anne style built in 1893. Historic Preservation Officer, Dann Keiser, confirmed that it is rated as outstanding and warrants inclusion into the local district. Julie Ginn made a motion to approve the petition, Glen Vick seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

This petition is for a new individual property local historic district at **634 New York St.** in what will be called the **New Local Ellsworth / 634 New York St. Historic District** and was submitted by owner Gladys Wright. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioner and stated that the structure is a Gable Front, Gothic Revival style home. Dann Keiser, Historic Preservation Officer, confirmed that the home is rated as notable and warrants designation as a local historic district. Glen Vick made a motion to approve the petition, Shawna McCully seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

This petition is for a new individual property local historic district at **613 Perrin Avenue** in what will be called the **New Local Perrin / 613 Perrin Avenue Historic District** and was submitted by owner Ken McCammon and Debra Kneal. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioner and stated that the structure is a T-Plan Queen Anne style home. Dann Keiser, Historic Preservation Officer, confirmed that the home is rated as contributing, has much of its original details, wood trim and

windows and warrants designation as a local historic district. Glen Vick made a motion to approve the petition, Shawna McCully seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

COA Committee report

COA (post installation) -662 Main St. – This application is being submitted, post-installation, after the building owner received a notice of violation letter regarding the installation of a retractable/rolling security gate across the storefront (jewelry store) without having gone through the COA review process. Please note that the property owner and the business owner (separate individuals) have been very cooperative since they received the notice. The jewelry store had at least a couple of break-ins including one where the storefront window was broken and jewelry stolen from the display. Consequently, the business owner (G.R. Clayton) asked and received permission from the property owner/property manager (Thieme and Adair Commercial Properties) to address the security issue as necessary, which resulted in the installation of the security gate. The installation was not done with willful intent to ignore or bypass the HPC review process. The COA Committee discussed the issue with the applicant and is recommending approval, but with the condition that the holes drilled for the anchors into the limestone pilasters be repaired whenever the business leaves this location and that the gates should be removed. The Commissioners also stated that this installation does not meet Secretary of Interior standards and therefore approval will be treated as an exception for this location (because the gates were already installed and the damage was already done to the limestone), but future installations of security gates of this kind will not be approved across storefronts. Sean Lutes made a motion to approve the petition with conditions stated, Shawna McCully seconded. The motion passed 7 to 1 with Amy Paget voting against the motion.

COA for 507 Main St – The applicant, Ryan Kennedy, is petitioning to remove the existing non-original storefront and upper-story windows and replacement with a new storefront that is more sympathetic to the original historic façade which was originally Fire House No. 2. Ryan intends to replace the functional portions of the upper-story windows (which are not original) and repair the ornamental trim on the uppermost round-top portions of the windows. The COA Committee discussed a handful of modifications which the applicant agreed to make and are reflected in this application. There was discussion about replacing an existing plywood infill on the top portion of a window opening on the east side of the second floor near the rear of the building. Dann Keiser mentioned that cement board infill in lieu of the existing plywood infill would be acceptable. Julie Ginn made a motion to approve the petition, Shawna McCully seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff Report

1. John Collier shared that the annual letter will be sent to property owners reminding them that their properties are designated in local historic districts and therefore any conspicuous changes proposed for the exterior of their properties require review/approval by the Commission through the COA application process.
2. A mural on the side of 707 Main Street near Instant Copy has been reviewed and approved by staff.
3. John provided an update on the process of Streateries and Parklets and mentioned the two that were approved by staff and will now go to the Parking Commission for review/approval in May.

Public Comment

No public comments were received.

Adjournment

There being no further business to bring before the Commission, Glen Vick moved to adjourn the meeting. Julie Ginn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Michelle Conwell, Recording Secretary

Glen Vick, Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission