



**MINUTES OF THE  
LAFAYETTE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**June 28, 2021**

**7:00 pm**

**Council Chambers, City Hall**

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

**Absent:** Patti Morgan

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

**Others in Attendance:** Maurice Lacy, Indiana Landmarks intern

**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**

As the Commission did not meet in May, Kevin Klinker moved to recommend approval of the of the April 26, 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 Upper Main Street Historic District** to include **635 Ferry Street** was submitted by owner Andy Powers. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioner and stated that the building is a grand Queen Anne style built in 1885. Historic Preservation Officer, Dann Keiser, confirmed that it is rated as outstanding and warrants inclusion into the local district. Kevin Klinker made a motion to approve the petition, Julie Ginn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

This petition is for a new individual property local historic district at **708 Cincinnati Street (Loeb Mansion)** in what will be called the **Local Centennial/708 Cincinnati St. Historic District** was submitted by owner Anthony Huff. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioner and stated that the structure is an Italianate style home previously owned by wealthy merchants, Solomon and Carrie Loeb. Dann Keiser, Historic Preservation Officer, confirmed that the home was originally rated as notable but with restorations should be rated as outstanding and warrants designation as a local historic district. John Collier read a letter of support from Michael Brown of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society, highlighting the Loeb family's impact to the Lafayette area. Kevin Klinker 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 **713 North Street** in what will be called the **Local Centennial/713 North Street Historic District** and was submitted by owners Torbert and Anne Rocheford. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioners and stated that the structure is an Italianate home built in the 1860's, but remodeled in the 1920's into a bungalow style home with some Italianate details. Dann Keiser, Historic Preservation Officer, confirmed that the home is rated as contributing and warrants designation as a local historic district. Kevin Klinker 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 **106 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street (Fuel Coffee)** in what will be called the **Local Oakland/106 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Historic District** and was submitted by owner Colleen Mathews of Elliot Rose LLC. John Collier presented on behalf of the petitioners and stated that the structure is an Italianate home built in the 1860's, retaining its original cornices, bay window and cast-iron fence. Dann Keiser, Historic Preservation Officer, confirmed that the home is rated as notable and warrants designation as a local historic district. Kevin Klinker made a motion to approve the petition, Shawna McCully seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **COA Committee report**

**631 Main St** – Applicant, Barry Knechtel of KJG Architecture, proposed a couple of changes in the brick color of the Luna Flats building that is currently under construction which the Commission approved last June. The modifications to the brick will help distinguish four separate façades for the project whereas the original brick colors were all variations of red. He is also proposing changes to some of the horizontal stone banding and brick soldier coursing. Brick samples were shared at the meeting as the colors in the graphic in the COA application were depictions only and not actual colors. Kevin Klinker made a motion to approve the petition, Sean Lutes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**1311 Columbia Street**-This proposal was presented by John Collier, on behalf of petitioners, Quentin and Camilla Robinson. The petitioners proposed to construct a 6 foot cedar fence to enclose the west side garden. The proposal also included the relocation of an existing historic, but non-original, ornamental railing from the west to the east side of the property. Following considerable discussion, the Commission moved to authorize the staff to review and approve the COA once the height, which should be no taller than 6 feet, the style and location of the fence can be confirmed to ensure the existing stone walls are protected during installation of the new fence and removal of the existing historic railing. Kurt Wahl made a motion to provide conditional approval of the COA with conditions described above, Sean Lutes seconded. The motion passed 6-2, with dissenting votes from Glen Vick and Amy Paget.

### **Staff Report**

OCRA (Office of Community and Rural Affairs) Historic Renovation Grant program opens July 1<sup>st</sup> with applications due by September 24, 2021. Applicants must meet certain requirements. Awards will be first come, first served.

### **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 7:46 pm.

*Respectfully submitted*  
*Michelle Conwell, Recording Secretary*

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Glen Vick, Secretary  
Historic Preservation Commission