

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2020 7:00 p.m.
Lafayette City Hall – Board of Works Room

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

Staff in Attendance: John Collier, Dann Keiser, Michelle Conwell

Guests: Tom Gall, 521 Main Street; Robert Hockema, 521 Main Street; Ryan Kennedy, 315 Columbia Street

Call to Order

Noting a quorum, John Burns called the meeting of the Lafayette Historic Preservation Commission to order at 7:02 pm.

Approval of the Minutes

Sean Lutes moved to recommend approval of the of the December 16, 2019 meeting minutes. Julie Ginn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Historic Preservation Commission Committee Assignments

Committee assignments stand as is. The Public Relations Committee will select a chair at their next meeting. Kevin Klinker moved to approve the Historic Preservation Commission committee assignments. Patti Morgan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Relations and Education Committee report

No report was made by the Public Relations and Education Committee.

District Committee report

No report was made by the Public Relations and Education Committee.

COA Committee report

COA applications:

COA- 521 Main Street

The first COA is for a storefront renovation of 521-525 Main Street, owned by Robert Hockema. With Kurt Wahl, Chair of the COA Committee, acting as the architect and the applicant for this project, Sean Lutes asked Ken to recuse himself from voting for the COA and only present the information, which is what he did at the COA Committee meeting, as well. The proposal is to remove the sheet metal, restore the existing vertical features, provide new storefront doors, windows, transom, sign board and cornice. The existing storefront is not original so the proposed renovation will re-establish a more traditional storefront consistent with other buildings of that time period and with the adjacent buildings. Kevin Klinker moved to recommend approval the 521 Main Street COA. Glen Vick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COA- 315 Columbia Street

The second COA is for 315 Columbia Street, owned and presented by Ryan Kennedy. It includes a front (north) and rear (south) façade renovation as well as a third story addition to the rear side of the building facing the alley. The full COA Committee reviewed this application and recommended approval. The 2nd and 3rd floor will be divided into multiple dwelling units while the 1st floor will remain in as-is condition. The exterior façade on the front, side and back will be restored to maintain the local district aesthetic. An addition on the back of the 3rd floor will be added to increase floor area. This will allow for four dwelling units, two per floor, to be added as well as a new leasing office and restroom. Interior stairs will remain in as-is condition while walls and ceilings will be finished. Some units will have exposed ceilings and walls to showcase the ceiling structure and existing brick. While Ryan doesn't wish to directly copy 313 Columbia Street, it will have similar features. Sean Lutes moved to recommend approval the 521 Main Street COA. Patti Morgan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff Report

John Collier spoke about the upcoming Indiana Landmarks Preservation Conference, April 14-17. This opportunity would apply toward continuing education credit. John Burns, Patty Morgan, Amy Paget and John Collier were interested in attending The Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program pre-conference workshop. There are two scholarships available to the commission for those who wish to attend more of the conference events.

Public Comment

John Burns asked for additional comments from the public. There were no comments from the public.

Adjournment

There being no further business to bring before the Commission, Julie Ginn moved to adjourn the meeting. Sean Lutes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Michelle Conwell, Recording Secretary

Approved: _____

Glen Vick, Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission