



MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2021, 4:30 PM
Virtual Meeting. Public may join via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

I. This item contains documents which provide call in information and instructions for the Zoom meeting.

B. ROLL CALL.

I. Members: Chair Ron Dehn, Vice Chair Paul Martzke, Ald. Mark Steuer, Ian Griffiths, Susan Ley, David Siegel, and Rebecca Derenne

Present: Ron Dehn, David Siegel, Paul Martzke, Ian Griffiths, Susan Ley, Excused: Rebecca Derenne
Susan Ley joined at 4:33 during item EI.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

I. Approval of the agenda for the December 15, 2021, meeting of the Landmarks Commission.

Moved by Ian Griffiths, seconded by David Siegel to approve the agenda. Motion Passed.

Yes- David Siegel, Ian Griffiths, Paul Martzke, Ron Dehn, No- None, Abstain- None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

I. Approval of the minutes from the November 17, 2021, meeting of the Landmarks Commission.

Moved by David Siegel, seconded by Paul Martzke to approve the minutes. Motion Passed.

Yes- David Siegel, Ian Griffiths, Paul Martzke, Ron Dehn, No- None, Abstain-None.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS.

I. (COA 21-38) Consideration with possible action on a design review for replacement rear

windows located at 114 S. Broadway.

Moved by David Siegel, seconded by Susan Ley to approve the window replacement. Motion Passed.

Yes- David Siegel, Ian Griffiths, Paul Martzke, Ron Dehn, Susan Ley, No- None, Abstain- None.

Susan Ley joined the meeting at 4:33 pm.

F. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Staff-Level COA Applications.

2. Review City Raze/Repair Orders and Demolitions.

3. Staff Update.

4. Date of next meeting: Wednesday, January 19, 2022

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ian Griffiths, seconded by Susan Ley to adjourn. Motion Passed.

Yes- David Siegel, Ian Griffiths, Paul Martzke, Ron Dehn, Susan Ley, No- None, Abstain- None.

VERBATIM MINUTES

- Well, I'm like, A, that there are documents, which tell you how to do the zoom meeting. But if we're already here, you don't really need number A, ah number B roll call. Um, Ron Dean I'm present. Ah, Paul? ...is here.

- Present.

- Yep. Ah, Ali Stoyer is not here yet. Um, Ian? Is present.

- Yep. Susan is not present yet. David is present and Rebecca is excused.

- Yes.

- Okay, um. I see... Approval of tonight's agenda for December 15th. Do we have a motion to approve the agenda?

- Motion to approve

- Second.

- Second that.

- Okay. All in favor?

- Aye.

- Any nays? Nope. Okay. The 'Ayes' is approved. Ah, approval of the minutes from the November 17th meeting, Um, I was not there, but I did read them, but that's an interesting meeting. Ah, Do we have a motion to approve those? Our discussion...

- Ah motion to approve

- I'll make a motion to approve.

- Made a motion to approve and we have a second?

- I'll second.

- Okay, Paul second. Um, all in favor? Aye.

- Aye.

- Aye.

- Okay the Aye's have it. Or no nays'? No nays', okay. Um, we're about up for minutes. Okay, number E, Regular Business. Certificate of Appropriateness 21 dash 38 Consideration with possible action on design review for replacement; rear windows located at located at 114 South Broadway. Jason,

- Ah yes, ah you're all fairly familiar with 114 S Broadway it's come before Ladmark's Commission a number of times for the past few years. Um, Ah today it's request for two replacement windows on the rear of the building. So at the top right of the screen, you see a picture of the front facade at the bottom right. You see a picture of the rear of the building that I took from the Google street view. Ah, if we skip to the next page, the replacement windows, there'll be a pair of vinyl type windows. Um, again rear facing here at the bottom right you see the only pictures that were provided of the existing windows. That are relatively new; And that they're not Historic. Um, the only hesitation I have here after the fact is that new windows being specified are supposed to be white on the outside, I believe. And everything that I see on the building from the Google street view shows all the outside windows as being black or dark color. But, otherwise I have no objections to any of this. Um, I recommend approval recognizing that there's no historic material being removed. So there is no net loss of integrity with new windows going in in these locations.

- Thank you.

- And do we also already have confirmation that the size was not going to change? I know that was, I sort-of read that in there.

- That is my understanding from the application. Yes.

- Okay. Um, And any, any further discussion on this folks? Hi Susan.

- Uh, The window openings Jason, are they, do they have an arch at the top or are they, are they rectangular?

- So if we go back to the first slide with the map, I think what we see as a slight arch that's been filled in with a blank section long time ago. I, I don't know that I can get you a zoomed in view on that or not. But um, as best I recall, there's a very shallow elliptical arch at the top of these windows. Relatively and perceptible it's been filled in.

- Okay.

- Any other questions or comments?

- I think the, ah Jason's point is compelling that absence of change to any historic materials is very convincing. And I would approve this as is. In fact I'll, I'll make a motion right now to approve as is.

- Okay. Do we have a second? You said something, Susan, are you you're muted. Okay. We'll take that as a second. Um, all in favor? Aye.

- Aye.

- Aye.

- Um, any nays? Okay. The ayes' have it. The motion is approved. Um, Item F. Sorry about that. I thought that was off. Um, information staff level CLA, applications.

- Yeah. We have a nice collection of staff level COA applications, all of which were approved. Um, I think the first one we briefly mentioned last month, it's a 702 south Monroe new storm windows to match the existing storm windows and material design and something else, ah, um I forget what. But it's there in the letter so, ah. So that was approved. Next up, we had 124 north Adams, the old Katie Bernard Land Company or Frankenthal building now. now the, a Wells Fargo letters will be replaced with new back-lit letters. Um. It's new signage using the existing foundation, existing holes and everything else. So no real change there. We approved that new roof at 702 south Quincy, ah, straight up asphalt shingle replacements. We approved that, pointed out of course, that it's eligible for the homeowner tax credit of 25%. So, perhaps they'll take advantage of that. We can hope. Then was there one more? Ooh, a hot tub. You know, I'm always good to approve a hot tub. Eleven...

- I 126 somethin'

- I 126 South van Buren um, by the letter of our ordinance, This is a quote; un-attached, non-visible, accessory-structure. End quote. So, you can see on the site plan, it's kind of tucked in behind the property garage next to the neighboring garage. And the photo at the bottom left, the gray building at left is the neighbor's garage. You see the, the ground preparation that's taking place for the hot tub. So, we have approved that with no understanding that we're invited over, but maybe that'll change.

- All right Ah, thank you for that, Jason. Ah, review City Ray's repair orders and demolitions.

- Ah, We received none.

- Any staff updates?

- Yes. Um, we have officially received an appeal of the decision from Landmark Commission's last meeting for 137 North Oakland for the porch um, denial that we put through. Um, we had offered, obviously to work with him to find a design that works. Um, he is going to appeal route first. So that goes to city council on January 18th. Um, we we'll this is our first appeal to City Council. Um, so Jason and I will probably just go there and do the same staff presentation that we did for you all. It would be nice to have some support, um in case anyone wants to speak to why we gave that denial, I think that would be very helpful at City Council, um, but not required for anyone to attend. So, I will be sending out an e-mail closer to that date. In case anyone does want to pop in and just speak on behalf of the Landmark's Commission for that, we don't really have much of a relationship with city council because we don't report out to them. So, I think it would be good to put our best foot forward here, even though it was a denial of a COA. So, um beyond that, I don't know if Jason has anything else to add.

- Ah, no. Just a lot of thoughts going through my head about what we need to present to Council, like number of COA's approved.

- Yeah. I mean, we'll like spice it up because this is like one of two denials we've ever done. So, I think it's good to show like that we're usually very flexible that we work with people it's not hard to get them approved, you know that whole song and dance too. So.

- Maybe gat a...

- I think that's an excellent opportunity to demonstrate what this commission has done over the last two years. Ah, Jason, you kind of were ah previewing what I was Not only have the majority of the things that have come before this commission been approved, unexpected to dig this deep into the statistics; but almost always, I would say 75% of our approvals have been unanimous.

- Right.

- Ah, we've only had a few split votes with the Commission on projects. Um, and I don't know if the denials that we've had, I don't know if those were unanimous denials or not, but I guess my point is I feel like the commission has been very unified in its approach, the way we've looked at things. Um, and so, I think that's important because we all know there's not a lot of consistency sometimes in the way the projects are brought forth by the property owners. And every project is a little bit different and unique I think for us, The Holy Grail is we always want to be consistent and we always want to not set bad precedent. But the fact of the matter is, is each of these projects are very unique and almost impossible to obtain that, that consistency. Um.

- Yeah

- I guess I just add to that, that in this particular case, there is documented evidence of what was there, And ah, um, it is available all um, for the homeowner to use as reference for whatever is done and is proposed for that location. So, um. Oftentimes we're going on ah judgment, but in this case we don't, we we don't even have to. So.

- And once again, what was the address of that? Because I'd like to look back and watch that.

- Um, 137 North Oakland.

- COH 181 35

- Um, did you and Jason ever get ahold of the original documents?

- Uh, yes from Ian um, we sent those along wants to the homeowner as well.

- Okay. And then the city council meeting, are the City Council meetings in person now or are they all Zoom as well?

- They do a hybrid, so you can come in person. Um, I guess we can kind of decide which route we want to take. I think it's easier to communicate with them when you're in the room with them. Um. So, maybe that'll be the route we go. It's also easier to get presentations to all of them when you're in the room. Like, I think the technology is a little easier in house, than it is when you're logging in um, from home. So, we'll have to play around with that. See what gets us the most bang for our buck.

- Okay. Um, any other hopes that you'd like to raise? No. Okay. Um, Date of our next meeting is Wednesday, January 19th, with the exception of that, what you're going to give us the information for. So, um.

- Yes.

- And if you could send out, not just; not only an e-mail Steph, uh, but a um calendar invite,
- Yeah. that would be great. Otherwise, it'll get double booked I know.
- Yes I am the same way.
- Yeah, likewise. Um, do we have a motion to adjourn?
- I will motion to adjourn.
- I'll second
- Nice job. On your first meeting.
- We got a second there with Susan I saw her. I saw her laughing and stuff. So, ah, okay most, Ah, all in favor.
- Aye.
- Aye.
- Aye. Okay. Hey, Merry Christmas, everybody. Any nays? Okay. No. Get!
- Merry Christmas.
- Hit the road