

NORTH LITTLE ROCK HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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**MINUTES
NORTH LITTLE ROCK HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
May 11, 2023
506 Main Street
North Little Rock, AR
5:30 P.M.**

Commission Members Present:

**Tom Marr
Charlie Hart
Susan Markman
Debra Roberts
Mason Toms**

Others Present:

**Sandra Taylor Smith, Director
Cary Bradburn, Staff
Ryan McGenney
Scott Pruitt
Ryan Ellis**

Commission Members Absent:

none

Commission Chairman Tom Marr called the meeting of the North Little Rock Historic District Commission on May 11, 2023 to order at 5:30 P.M. and quorum was established. Chairman Marr welcomed guests and asked them to introduce themselves.

CORRECTION AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Mr. Marr asked if Commissioners had read the minutes of the March 9, 2023 Historic District Commission meeting. Debra Roberts made a motion to approve the March minutes as written. Susan Markman seconded the motion and it was approved by all in roll call vote.

New Business:

- A. 301 Main Street- Replace canvas canopies with metal panels; remove wood wainscot, decorative wood trim and replace with EFIS; install new iron doors at all existing door locations; add painted steel canopy with metal roofing panels at entry door**

Project architect Scott Pruitt was present to represent the application. The building is not historic, but does have canvas awnings. The new owner wants to replace the canvas

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awnings with metal awnings and remove wood wainscot and decorative wood trim and replace with EFIS. Commissioners discussed metal awnings vs. canvas awnings on this non-historic building. After further discussion, Charlie Hart moved to approve the application as presented. Debra Roberts seconded the motion and it was approved by all in roll call vote. The applicant will come back with signage.

B. 321 Main Street- Remove one section of storefront glass and door and replace with new storefront glass and door with larger opening.

Ryan Ellis with Hydco Construction was present to explain the proposed project. A section of the storefront (not original) will be removed and replaced with a larger door and adjacent window. This will facilitate loading in and out through the front of the building. Commissioners discussed that the existing storefront is not original. Susan Markman moved to approve the application as presented and Debra Roberts seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all in roll call vote.

C. 501 W. 5th Street- Pour concrete slab in back yard; construct 20'X30' frame garage on slab

Property owner Ryan McGenney was present. As slides of the house were shown, Mr. McGenney explained that he would like to pour a concrete slab and construct a frame garage in the back yard. There was discussion that the garage will have wood siding and composition shingle gable roof with doors that open onto the alley and driveway. Commissioners mentioned a material called LP Smart Siding that has been used on some new construction in the neighborhood.

Mr. McGenney also plans to repair the rear enclosed porch and install a new wood window and wood lap siding.

Susan Markman moved to approve the application as presented. Debra Roberts seconded the motion and it was approved by all in roll call vote.

Staff Report/Comments/Discussion:

Wood windows have been ordered for the house at 185 Melrose Circle and are expected to be received by the end of July or early August.

Sandra Smith said the house at 311 W. 7th Street has had two offers, neither of which the owner accepted. The next Court date will be June 20.

After determining there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Sandra Taylor Smith, Director