

NORTH LITTLE ROCK HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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**MINUTES
NORTH LITTLE ROCK HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
April 8, 2021
506 Main Street
North Little Rock, AR
5:30 P.M.**

Commission Members Present:

**Tom Marr
Ross Maestas
Ken Davenport
Susan Markman
Debra Roberts
Charlie Hart**

Others Present:

**Sandra Taylor Smith, Director
John Gaudin
Lee Ann Duck
Roger Doyne**

Commission Members Absent:

Mason Toms

Commission Chairman Tom Marr called the meeting of the North Little Rock Historic District Commission on April 8, 2021 to order at 5:30 P.M., and a quorum was established. Commissioner Mason Toms had an excused absence. Mr. Marr welcomed guests John Gaudin, Lee Ann Duck and Roger Doyne. (Note: All Commission members, guests, and staff participated in the meeting electronically.)

CORRECTION AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Mr. Marr asked if Commissioners had read the minutes of the February 11, 2021 Historic District Commission meeting (no meeting was held in March 2021). Debra Roberts moved to approve the minutes of the February 2021 HDC meeting as written. Ross Maestas seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

New Business:

A. 315 Main Street- Renovate front of building

Architect Lee Ann Duck with SCM Architects was present to represent the application. Ms. Duck explained the renovations planned for the front elevation (east). She pointed out that on the drawings it is shown that the jagged parapet on the north end of the building will be filled in. Ms. Duck also said that as there is no evidence of the original appearance of the parapet and with the unlikely case of being able to find glazed brick to match the original, they are leaving the parapet as is. The storefront will be rebuilt, transom windows will be

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repaired/replaced, two doors added to the front, and painted brick will be restored to its original glaze.

Debra Roberts moved to approve that application as presented. Susan Markman seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

B. 315 Main Street- Paint murals on west and south sides of building

John Gaudin was present to represent the application for the murals. He said the south elevation of the building faces a courtyard between it and the building at 301 Main Street. A Paris scene will be painted on the south wall of 315 Main Street. Another mural will be painted on the back (west) wall. Mr. Gaudin said a different mural than the one submitted will be painted and he will send an email with the image to be used.

There was discussion about maintenance. Mr. Gaudin said there will be a lease agreement with the artists for five years on all murals to keep the mural intact and maintained. Debra Roberts asked who is paying for all of the murals. Mr. Gaudin said, public, private and other donations.

Debra Roberts moved to approve the proposed murals on the building at 315 Main Street, conditional on seeing what the mural will look like on the west elevation. Ross Maestas seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

C. 312 Main Street- Paint mural on back (east) wall

John Gaudin represented the application. The back wall of the building has previously been painted. Ross Maestas moved to approve the proposed mural on the back of the building at 312 Main Street. Susan Markman seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

D. 314 Main Street- Paint Mural on back (east) wall

John Gaudin presented the application for painting a mural on the back of the building at 314 Main Street. It was discussed that the east wall of the building has been covered in cinderblock. Mr. Gaudin said the artist is Jeff Horton for this mural. Susan Markman moved to approve the mural image presented to be painted on the back (east) elevation of 314 Main Street. Debra Roberts seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

E. 405 Main Street- Paint mural on north wall of back of building

John Gaudin referred Commissioners to the image proposed to be painted on the north wall of the back of the building located at 405 Main Street. The wall has previously been painted.

Ross Maestas moved to approve the application and Ken Davenport seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

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F. 215 W. 5th Street- Add dormers on east and west elevations; repair/replace wood siding; repair/replace front door; remove two windows on west elevation

Property owner Roger Doyne was present to representation the application. He said he would like for both proposed dormers to have a shed roof. He also talked about the poor condition of the front door and that he would like to replace it. There was discussion about the historic value of the door, as it is original to the house. Mr. Doyne was encourage to repair the door and if needed for energy efficiency, install a clear-view storm door. Mr. Doyne also asked to remove two windows that are not original to the house. These windows are located on the northern end of the first floor of the west elevation and are not visible from the street or alley. The application also included replacement/repair of damaged wood siding.

Debra Roberts made a motion to approve the application with two shed-roof dormers with wood windows, siding repair, removal of two windows on the west elevation, and repair of the front door with addition of a clear-view storm door if needed. Susan Markman seconded the motion and it was approved 6-0 in roll call vote.

Mr. Doyne asked about construction of a storage shed in the back. Commissioners asked him to come back with details.

G. 518 Willow Street- Install storage building in back yard

No one was present to represent the application. The application was deferred to the next meeting.

After determining there was no further business to discuss, Ross Maestas moved to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Debra Roberts. Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Taylor Smith, Director