



MINUTES

Historic District Commission Meeting

8:30 AM - Thursday, February 20, 2020

Board Chambers, 133 Convention Boulevard

Call to Order

Chairman Long Hua Xu called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Roll Call

Roll Call of the Board of Adjustments and Appeals Members:

Present: Commissioner Clyde Covington, Vice Chairman James Gray, and Commissioner Mary Frances Moore

Not Present: None

Consider Previous Minutes

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by James Gray, seconded by Mary Frances Moore, to approve the January 21, 2020 minutes as presented.

Carried unanimously

New Business

Chairman Long Hua Xu asked Planning Manager Rick Stauder to present the items.

1. ***HDC-20-010 Historic District Commission Application for Certificate of Appropriateness - 318 Central Ave -Buffalo Clothing Co. -Signage Request.***

The first item is the Buffalo Clothing Company. This business is located at 318 Central Avenue and it's been there for some time. It has had a slight change in name since the first time we reviewed it. They are looking to add one sign around the upper facade above the store front windows. The staff recommendation for that is approval as presented, as we don't believe that exceeds the one major two minor sign provision for the Central Avenue Historic District design review guidelines.

Mr. Stauder asked for the applicant to come forward to speak on the item. Mrs. Jess Elder stated that she did not have anything to add. Mr. Stauder asked if any of the commissioners had questions for the applicant, there were none, and there were no speakers in the audience. Mr. Stauder closed the public portion of the meeting and asked if there was any discussion among the commissioners on this item, and there was none.

Moved by Clyde Covington, seconded by James Gray, to approve the item with the staff findings and recommendation.

Carried unanimously

2. *HDC-20-011 Historic District Commission Application for Certificate of Appropriateness - 231 Central Ave Ste B -Hot Springs Mercantile Sign Request.*

Item two is for a business located 231 B, Central Avenue, the Wade Building. Previous business in there were Hot Springs Village Hub and CHI. Mrs. Elder is moving in to her second business downtown know as Hot Springs Mercantile. They are looking for approval of the window sign and two additional signs, one hanging on the awning and one wall sign on the north facing wall. The three sign scheme has been fairly consistent between tenants and we've reviewed very similar request for business in this store front, all being approved. Staff believes it complies with the one major, two minor provision and it complies with the design guidelines.

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Moved by Long Hua Xu, seconded by Mary Frances Moore, to approve the item with staff findings and recommendation.

Carried unanimously

3. *MISC-20-025 Historic District Commission Elections*

Mr. Stauder stated that the next item is the election of officers. Commissioner Mary Francis Moore and Commissioner Clyde Covington nominated Commissioner James Gray as the Chair. Commissioner Mary Francis Moore nominated Commissioner Clyde Covington for Vice Chair.

Moved by Mary Frances Moore, seconded by Clyde Covington, to approve Commissioner James Gray as the Chair and Commissioner Clyde Covington as the Vice Chair.

Carried unanimously

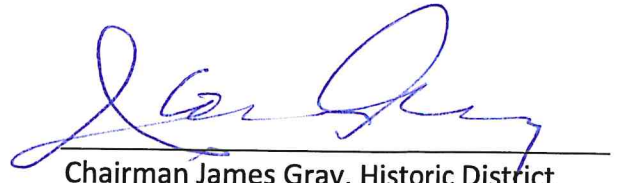
Directors Report

Planning Manager Rick Stauder stated that we need applications for the vacant positions. If there is anyone you know that would be interested, especially if they are in the district, encourage them to apply.

Adjournment

Moved by Clyde Covington, seconded by James Gray, to adjourn the meeting.

Carried unanimously

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Gray', is written over a horizontal line.

Chairman James Gray, Historic District
Commission