

HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Robert Seyfang. Commission members present were: Pam Aubry, Dennis Layman, Ruth Lucius and Robert Seyfang (4). Absent: Don Earnhart, David Hoffmann and John Walters (3). Also present was Planning and Zoning Administrator Brody Walters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Layman moved to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2013 meeting as written. Ms. Lucius seconded and they were unanimously approved.

APPLICATION 14-13 – Jamie Thompson on behalf of The Carriage House requests a certificate of appropriateness for the addition of an awning. Consideration includes color, material and architectural style. The subject property is located at 126 Louisiana Avenue and is zoned C-2 (Central Business).

Mr. Walters stated that the Planning and Zoning Office has reviewed this application and it is in compliance with the Code. He gave the Commission a sample of the canvas that is proposed. Mr. Layman said that the size of the lettering looks a little large but as long as it meets the Code, he is okay with it. Mr. Walters stated that the dimensions given on the detailed drawing were less than the 35% allowed. Mr. Seyfang asked about the awning interfering with people coming out of the door next to where the awning will be hung. Mr. Wettle said that there is plenty of clearance.

Mr. Layman moved to approve Application 14-13 as submitted. Ms. Aubry seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

APPLICATION 15-13 – Darren LaShelle requests a certificate of appropriateness to remove several sets of window shutters on his residence. Consideration includes architectural style. The subject property is located at 220 E. Front Street and is zoned R-3 (Single Family Residential).

Mr. LaShelle said he has fifteen windows at his residence and five of them have shutters. He said that they are mismatched and are not authentic because they are not large enough that they could cover the windows. He planned on removing all of the shutters except for the ones on the two upper windows on the front of the home. The Commission asked Mr. LaShelle if he would consider removing all of the shutters. Mr. LaShelle said that he would be agreeable to that. Ms. Lucius asked Mr. LaShelle what color he is painting the house. Mr. LaShelle said that it will be red with white trim.

Mr. Seyfang moved to approve Application 15-13 with the additional requirement that all of the shutters be removed. Ms. Aubry seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

APPLICATION 16-13 – David Munger requests a certificate of appropriateness for the demolition of an existing detached residential garage and for the reconstruction of an attached garage. Consideration includes color, material and architectural style. The subject property is located at 112 Pine Street and is zoned R-3 (Single Family Residential).

Mr. Munger said that he did not make this request at last month's meeting because he had to check into the placement of a sanitary sewer line. He said that the material and color of the proposed garage will match the house. Mr. Seyfang asked what color, and Mr. Munger said probably white. The garage door will be an insulated metal raised panel door with no windows and will be 7' or 8' by 9'. Ms. Lucius questioned whether there will be enough length to park another car in the driveway. Mr. Munger said there would not be; they would have to park in the street. Mr. Munger said that one reason they want to attach the garage is for storage because there is no basement in this house.

Ms. Lucius moved to approve Application 16-13 as submitted. Ms. Aubry seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

APPLICATION 17-13 – Richard Bradford of Sterling ATM requests a certificate of appropriateness for the replacement of an existing ATM unit located at Charter One Bank. Consideration includes color, material and architectural style. The subject property is located at 144 E. Front Street and is zoned C-2 (Central Business).

Robert Elias of Sterling ATM was present. Mr. Elias said that they want to install the canopy to keep ATM users protected from the weather. Mr. Walters noted that the application would need to be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning office with regards to the signage. He noted that if the Charter Bank logo is on the ATM, there could not be any logos on the canopy. Mr. Seyfang asked if it would be lighted, and Mr. Elias said it would be. Mr. Layman clarified that if there is signage on the ATM, then the canopy would have no signage. Mr. Walters said the three sides would have no logos, they would just be green.

Mr. Layman moved to approve Application 17-13 as noted. Ms. Lucius seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Sutton