

## Historic Preservation District Commission

Public Hearing –May 23, 2013

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Call to order

Mr. Hijuelos called the meeting to order

Present: Frank Hijuelos, Mike Pulaski, Susan Danielson, Ann Haveman, Louise Kidd, Kathy Reeves

Absent: Jeff Bernard

Guest: Becky Rohrbough

### Approval of Minutes

Mr. Pulaski moved to approve the minutes, it was seconded by Ms. Danielson. The motion passed unanimously.

### Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

A. Design Review : Ms.Kidd reported that the Design Review Committee had two cases the morning of Thursday May 23, 2013. Two commissioners, Mr. Pulaski and Ms. Haveman were able to attend.

The first case was the Mandeville Animal Hospital at 419 Girod. The MAH had hardi plank as part of their material package, but due to budget issues, they were considering vinyl siding. Looking at the different grades for higher wind loads, it seemed that the heavier vinyl siding would not be a cost savings. The MAH probably would go back to hardi plank. Mr. Hijuelos asked about the parking issue, which Ms. Kidd responded that it was more of a zoning permit issue. Ms. Kidd also explained the chain wall foundation. It was built and backfilled, installed the foundation on top. False brick piers were built outside chain wall. These would be stuccoed and lattice would be installed under the porch area.

The second case was The Beach House at 124 Girod. Years ago the Beach House's patio was approved, which was built with wood. Hurricane Isaac washed it away. It was rebuilt with a smaller concrete pad. The Beach House was asking to cover this area with a canopy. The design originally had the canopy in line with the front of the building. Design Review asked that they set it back a ways. Also it was suggested that the pitch for the canopy be the same as the main roof. Design Review will continue to work with them, they would like to complete this project sometime in July.

B. COA's: There were no new ones at this time.

C. Certified Local Government: Ms. Kidd said that the City received the preliminary letter back from the State. The Certificate of Agreement was signed by Major Villere and sent back to the SHIPO office, which will then send it to the National Park Service.

Ms. Kidd handed out information about the La. Annual Preservation Conference that would be held June 13 in Baton Rouge. This conference would satisfy the educational requirements for the Commissioners. The City will reimburse them for the training and travel.

D. Other: Ms. Rohrbough wanted to report that she noticed some discrepancies in the Historical District map. Ms. Kidd stated they could make corrections to the map but could not change the survey and the Commission would be working towards making those corrections.

### Reports of Special Committees

A. Guideline's Committee: Mr. Hijuelos stated that he had sent some examples for Ms. Danielson and Mr. Bernard to look over that may be useful for the City's guidelines. Mr. Hijuelos asked that these examples be printed and bound for the next meeting.

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B . Education and Outreach Committee: Mr. Hijuelos thought that the Preservation week went well. Ms. Haveman said that she enjoyed it. It was suggested by Ms. Kidd, that the permit department handout copies of the tax credit applications with the building permit process. Mr. Hijuelos's Preservation 101 presentation would soon be available on the City's website.

Mr. Hijuelos said he would be providing the Commissioners with additional information to look over for more presentations throughout the year.

**Unfinished Business**

As the application for 1715 Claiborne Street demolition was not complete, the Commission will put that on the June agenda.

**New Business**

Mr. Burkett, the applicant for the 818 Adair demolition permit, gave a summary of why the commissioners should approve his application. He stated that the foundation and structure were failing. Because of these issues the house could not be properly secured to keep people out. He also stated that there was actually two structures on the property , which he was wishing to demolish both. Ms. Kidd asked what were his intentions for lot, which he replied a single family home. Mr. Burkett said that he had contacted some salvage companies . They were not interested in anything but maybe the interior doors. Mr. Pulaski asked that Mr. Burkett put that information in writing to go with his application. Mr. Hijuelos asked that the Commissioners go by the property.

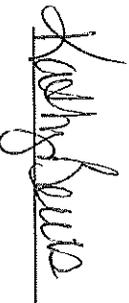
Ms. Kidd said that at the next meeting the Commissioners would be voting on the approval for the Certificate of Appropriateness.

**Announcements**

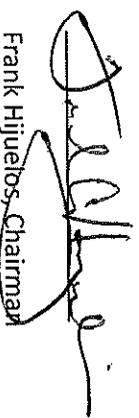
Mr. Hijuelos confirmed that the next meeting was June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. There were no other announcements.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Pulaski moved to adjourn, Ms. Haveman seconded. The meeting was adjourned.



Kathy Reeves, Secretary



Frank Hijuelos, Chairman