

Historic Preservation District Commission

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Call to order

Mr. Hijuelos called the meeting to order.

Present: All Commissioners, Louissette Kidd, Kathy Reeves

Absent: none

Approval of Minutes

May 23, 2013 minutes: Ms. Haveman moved to approve the minutes, Ms. Danielson seconded, motion was carried.

June 20, 2013 minutes: Mr. Bernard moved to approve the minutes, Ms. Haveman seconded, motion was carried.

New Business

Mr. Hijuelos asked that there be a motion to move the demolition request of 1715 Claiborne ahead in the agenda. Ms. Haveman made the motion, Ms. Danielson seconded, motion was carried.

Ms. Kidd stated that the house at 1715 Claiborne was a 1930's-1940's craftsman bungalow listed as contributing on Sally Reeves Survey. She turned the floor over to Mr. Cousin, who stated that the house was his dad's and had been in the family since the 1940's. It had been through two floods and was 1085 sq ft living. They would like to demolish the house and build a 2500 – 3000 sq ft home for his family.

Mr. Bernard commented that the house had good scale, but had been altered. Mr. Hijuelos said that with the aluminum windows and vinyl siding that Mr. Cousin had a good case. Mr. Hijuelos asked for a motion. Ms. Haveman made a motion to approve the demolition permit, Mr. Pulaski seconded, motion carried.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

A. Design Review : Ms. Kidd stated that they had only one case, an elevation project on the corner of Lakeshore and Coffee. They were reviewing the stairs.

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

C. Certified Local Government: Ms. Kidd confirmed that the City had received the official letter .

D. Other: Ms. Kidd stated that Alia Casborne, the Director of Cultural and Economic Development had put together the Façade Grant. It will be submitting in the spring and she will give a presentation to the Commissioners when that time gets closer. It will be included in the proposed budget for the City. Mr. Hijuelos stated he would like the Council to know that the Commission supports the Façade Grant. Mr. Bernard made a motion that the Commission supported it, Ms. Danielson seconded it, the motion is carried.

Mr. Hijuelo stated that everyone should have received the information about the Sexual Harassment training that is required and times it will be presented and also the Ethics training that is available online. He asked that all Commissioners receive a reminder of the training date and a hot link to the Ethics training.

Ms. Rohrbough reported that the new owners of the old Griffin's Bakery at 301 Lafitte, which is on the Historic Registry, have demolished the brick oven.

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Reports of Special Committees

A. Guideline's Committee: Mr. Hijuelos stated that he was open to ideas of how to proceed, did you like what he sent out or like the format. Mr. Bernard was wondering what other communities have such as Abita Springs, Covington or Hammond.

Unfinished Business

There is none at this time.

New Business

There is none at this time.

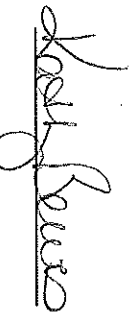
Announcements

Mr. Bernard reported that the 818 Adair Street demolition had begun. He also stated that the City gave approval for the purchase of the shotgun house across from the Dew Drop. He felt this is a big victory for Historic Preservation.


Mr. Hijuelos confirmed that the next meeting will be August 15, 2013 at 6:30pm.

Adjournment

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



Kathy Reeves, Secretary



Frank Hijuelos, Chairman