

TUSCALOOSA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING SYNOPSIS

Wednesday, February 14, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Cathy Pagani
Commissioners Salli Davis, Matt McCool, Mary Harmon Young, David Nelson, Matt McCool, and William Edwards.

ABSENT:

Jordan Morris and Francine Wasden were absent.

STAFF PRESENT:

Chad Hobbs, Associate City Attorney
Hudson Cheshire, Assistant City Attorney
Emily Hayes, Associate Director of Planning
Jonathan Bowen, Neighborhood Resources Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Pagani announced that having received a synopsis of the previous meeting, the Commission moves to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the same unless there are any deletions, additions, or corrections. Hearing none, Chairman Wright recommended approval of the minutes. Commissioner Davis made motion. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Commissioner Cox entered at 5:04 p.m.

CASES REQUESTING TO WITHDRAW

CASES REQUESTING TO CONTINUE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Neighborhood Resources Coordinator, Jonathan Bowen, briefed the Commission on the following agenda items:

CASES TO BE HEARD

HPC-08-24 Mark Nix (WOMO LLC) petitions for a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior alterations to the primary structure located at 325 Queen City Avenue in the Druid City Historic District. (Council District 4).

Nathan Gerdau represented the petition.

There were three written comments of opposition to the petition. Sonny Deason spoke against the petition due to the nonconforming exterior alterations of the color of brick and excess building materials and trash around the property. Sandra Ray spoke against the petition due to the lack of regulation shown in the project by the nonconforming issues of the exterior alterations. Angie Martin spoke against the petition due to the lack of parameters shown by the property owner and contractor after the property owner applied for a historic expedited review for minor repairs and maintenance, then later did major repairs after notice from the Historic Preservation Commission. Joseph Ferrar spoke in opposition to the petition due to the landscaping on the property. Patricia Stone spoke against the petition due to the

nonconforming issue as stated previously and requested that a new process be issued to avoid situations similar to the petition. No one else spoke in favor of or in opposition to the petition.

Chairperson Pagani asked the Commissioner regarding which areas need to be addressed. The Commission listed the following: lattice, painted transom, pavers on each three staircases, thresholds on three entrances, and the landscaping.

Chairperson Pagani read the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. Chairperson Pagani and Commissioners Harmon, Cox, Edwards, Davis, Nelson, and McCool voted “no”; none, yes.

The Certificate of Appropriateness failed.

HPC-09-24 Mark Possien petitions for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of a chimney on the detached garage, and for alterations to the roof and material change to the windows on the primary structure located at 1613 Alaca Place in the Druid City Historic District. (Council District 4).

Mark Possien represented the petition.

No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the petition.

Commissioner Cox made a motion to add a condition that the front and west side of the structure stay as wood. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. Commissioners McCool, Davis and Cox voted “yes”; Chairperson Pagani and Commissioners Nelson, Edwards, and Young voted “no.” The motion failed.

Chairperson Pagani read the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. Chairperson Pagani and Commissioner Edwards voted “yes”; Commissioners McCool, Nelson, Davis, Cox and Young voted “no.” All Commissioners that voted “no” expressed concerns regarding the siding. The applicant requested that the Commission approve all other aspects of the application besides the siding. Commissioner Davis made the motion to approve all other aspects of the application besides the siding. Commissioner Harmon seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted “yes”; no, none.

Chairperson Pagani read the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness not including the siding.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Harmon exit at 6:43.

HPC-10-24 Chad and Julie Tindol petition for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the enclosure of an existing porch on the primary structure and for an addition on an existing detached garage on the property located at 5 Hillcrest in the Hillcrest Historic District. (Council District 2).

Commissioner Harmon entered at 6:45 p.m.

Chad Tindol represented the petition.

No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the petition.

Chairperson Pagani read the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

HPC-11-24 Amee Scott petitions for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a material change to windows on the primary structure located at 804 16th Avenue in the Druid City Historic District. (Council District 4).

Amee Scott represented the petition.

No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the petition.

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Chairperson Pagani read the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

HPC-12-24 Darren McAusland petitions for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a material change to the roof on the primary structure located at 1204 Queen City Avenue in the Druid City Historic District. (Council District 4).

Darren McAusland represented the petition.

No one spoke in favor of or in opposition to the petition.

Chairperson Pagani read the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

There have been 6 historic expedited reviews.

ADJOURN

Chairperson Pagani asked whether there was any other matter to be brought before the Historic Preservation Commission. Seeing none, the Historic Preservation Commission meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

ATTEST:

Zach Ponds
Secretary of Historic Preservation Commission

Cathy Pagani
Chairperson of Historic Preservation Commission

Please note: The formal synopsis will be adopted at the next available Commission meeting.