

City of Evansville Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 21, 2016, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall (Third Floor), 31 South Madison Street

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Chair Steve Culbertson at 6:44 pm

2. Roll Call:

Members	Present	Absent	Others Present
Chair Steve Culbertson	P		Community Development Dir. Jason Sergeant
Vice-chair Dan Stephans		A	Applicants, Greg Ardisson, Travis Ardisson
Secretary Betsy Ahner	P		
Ald. Gene Lewis	P		
Matt Koser	P		
Cheryl Doerfer	P		
Steve Christens	P		

3. Motion to approve the agenda: Motion by Koser, Seconded by Lewis, Approved Unanimously

4. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the October 19, 2016 meeting and approve them as printed by Doerfer, seconded by Ahner. Approved unanimously.

5. Civility Reminder. Culbertson noted the City's commitment to civil discourse.

6. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed. None.

7. Applications

- a.** 19 E. Main Street (Night Owl), demolition (Application HPC-2016-42). Applicants Travis and Greg Ardisson explained the cost to salvage and repair the building is not feasible but they would like to save the historic foundation and rebuild on it. Some of the old brick is salvageable and can be reclaimed for use in the building. Their family has been in business in that location for 34 years and they would like to be back in business there by mid-summer. They submitted the required paperwork to the Wisconsin State Historical Society on December 19 and the WI State Historical Society has 30 days to respond. Motion by Koser to accept the application as presented and allowing demolition to begin no later than January 19, 2017 or sooner if the WI State Historical Society grants a waiver. Seconded by Christens to approve the application. Approved unanimously.

The applicants shared drawings of a possible new structure for the location consisting of a two-story structure with an elongated bay window overhang on the West Façade.

Commission members and applicants discussed the proposed new structure. Sergeant reminded commission that the subject of a new structure was not on the agenda for discussion, so no formal action could be taken. Applications will need to be presented similar to the process followed for 268 W Liberty and 318 W Main Street. The Applicant will need to apply for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from Plan Commission to construct a new building in a historic district, a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) from Historic Preservation Commission for the new structure and finally a building permit for the construction. The CUP and COA will be measured against the guidance outlined in the Municipal Code, primarily looking at the new building's overall scale and mass being similar to adjacent structures (EG, number of stories) and the exterior window, door and siding patterns and material will need to compliment the historic district. The Commission gave no approval, denial or consensus opinion on the plans the applicant presented.

- b. 14 W. Main Street, Sign Permit Approval, Application 2016-43. Community Development Director, Jason Sergeant explained the building owner has a temporary sign to the east of the front door and would like to make it a permanent sign. The permanent sign will be similar in size and design to the temporary sign for The Vintage Roost and complies with the Evansville Sign Ordinance. Motion by Koser to accept the application as presented. Second by Christens. Motion carried unanimously.

8. New Business

- a. None

9. Old Business

- a. Lake Leota Park – Sergeant has not heard from the Wisconsin Historical Society regarding this project so he will follow up with them.

10. Report of the Community Development Director.

- a. Staff Issued certificates of appropriateness. None
- b. Other updates. Sergeant noted that in 2016 the HPC received 43 applications and approved 42 of them. One reapplied and then was approved.

11. Correspondence, Comments and Concerns. None

12. Motion to Adjourn at 7:50 pm. Motion by Christens, seconded by Koser Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Ahner
Secretary

The minutes of the Evansville Historic Preservation Commission are not official until approved by the Commission.

Next Meeting Dates: Wednesday 01/17/2017, and Wednesday 02/21/2017