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LANDMARKS COMMISSION

April 24, 2007

Minutes

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Members Present: Robert Calk  
Michael McClellan  
Bill Minter  
Phil Miller  
Tina Cargile, Alternate  
Rick Weatherl

Members Absent: Pebbles Lee  
Laura Wardroup, Alternate  
Steve Butman

Staff Present: Larry Abrigg, Planner III, Historic Preservation Officer  
Patricia Aldridge, Assistant City Attorney

Guests: Brad Pursley, Paige Tambunga

Mr. Weatherl called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM, declared a quorum present, and read the opening statement.

Minutes of the March 27, 2007 meeting were submitted for approval. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote. Ms. Cargile made the motion and Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

Agenda Item 3: CA-0507, Public hearing and possible vote to consider a Certificate of Appropriateness request from Billy Olson to construct signs at 2775 S. Treadaway Blvd. (Rock House).

Mr. Weatherl read the above case description and asked Mr. Abrigg to give the staff report.

Mr. Abrigg highlighted the staff report that was sent with the Commission packet. Pictures of the property and the details of the request were reviewed.

Mr. Weatherl asked if any member had questions for staff. There were no questions.

Mr. Weatherl opened the public hearing.

Mr. Pursley explained that they are leasing the property but have cleaned up and painted both the inside and outside. He stated that they are in the bail bond business and that their business stays open 24 hours a day, but very few customers would visit the property. He said the signs were needed to advertise the business and that they wanted the signs to be 7 feet by 15 feet and 8 feet tall so they would be easy to see from both streets. He said their business colors are red, white and blue. Mr. Weatherl asked if they would be disappointed if they were required to have smaller signs. Mr. Pursley said they wanted to do what the Commission recommended and what was the best for the historic property. It was also explained by Mr. Pursley that they wanted to use the existing poles to mount the signs. He said they would be willing to change the color of the signs if that would make a difference in determining the size of the signs. It was the consensus of the Commission that the red, white and blue colors were acceptable.

Mr. Weatherl closed the public hearing and asked for discussion among the Commission. There was a general discussion that they were in favor of the signs, but wanted to see them made

smaller. Mr. Calk made a motion to approve the signs, but to make the maximum size 3.5 feet x 15 feet with the height limited to 4 feet. Mr. McClellan seconded the motion. The motion carried (5-1) with one vote against by Mr. Miller who expressed the signs should be smaller still.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Weatherl at approximately 4:55 PM.

Approved: _____, Chairman
Date: _____