
LANDMARKS COMMISSION
January 31, 2017
Minutes

Members Present: Steve Butman, Chair
Michael McClellan
Bill Minter
Pebbles Lee
Rick Weatherl

Members Absent: Phil Miller

Staff Present: Duane Hall, Planner II (Recording)
Kelley Messer, Assistant City Attorney

Guests Present: Greg Shaheen

Mr. Steve Butman called the meeting to order at 4:02 P.M., declared a quorum present, and read the opening statement.

Minutes of the November 29, 2016 meeting were submitted for approval.

Ms. Lee made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Butman seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously (5-0).

CA-2017-01, Oral Resolution and Public hearing, a request from Greg Shaheen for a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace backyard patio tile and to resurface rear exterior stairs at 1120 Elmwood Drive.

Mr. Duane Hall presented the staff report for this case with staff's recommendation.

Mr. Butman opened the public hearing.

Mr. Greg Shaheen, applicant, summarized the proposed work and made the Commission aware that staff mistakenly indicated that the color of the stained concrete would match the house color. Mr. Shaheen stated his application states the color of the stained concrete would closely match the color of the tile to be removed. Commissioners asked Mr. Shaheen:

- Where do the stairs go? Mr. Shaheen responded they go to a basement of the house.
- The size of the house? Mr. Shaheen responded it is a little over 6,000 sq. ft.
- Is the tile original to the house? Mr. Shaheen responded no and it was installed by the previous owner.

There were no other members wishing to speak.

Mr. Butman closed the public hearing.

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The Commission began discussion on the application and staff's recommended action.

Mr. Shaheen asked to speak, and Mr. Butman reopened the public hearing.

Mr. Shaheen asked the Commission to indicate in their action that the proposed color for the patio would match the color of the tile and not the house.

Mr. Butman closed the public hearing.

Mr. Weatherl made a motion to approve CA-2017-01 as recommended by staff with the color to match the existing patio tile color as closely as possible. Mr. Minter seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).

2017 Meeting Dates, Oral Resolution, schedule regular meeting dates and times of the Landmarks Commission for 2017.

Mr. Hall presented the staff report and indicated possible meeting dates that may conflict with Council workshops that may be held in Council Chambers. Mr. Hall stated that the Commission may hold meetings on these dates, but the meeting would be held in a different location in City Hall.

The Commission discussed having meeting dates one week ahead of the regular last Tuesday of the month for May, October, and December.

Mr. Weatherl made a motion to have regular Commission meetings on the last Tuesday of the month except for the May meeting to be held on the 23rd, the October meeting to be held on the 24th, and the December meeting to be held on the 19th. Mr. Butman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).

Abilene Register of Historic Places, Oral Resolution, approve new format, layout, and table legend for the Abilene Register of Historic Places.

Mr. Hall presented the staff report and answered questions from the Commission.

Ms. Lee made a motion to approve the new format, layout, and table legend for the Abilene Register of Historic Places as recommended by staff. Mr. McClellan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (5-0).

2017 Work Program and Priorities, Discuss and provide feedback to staff on possible items to be considered by the Commission in 2017.

Mr. Hall presented the staff report.

Commission and staff discussion included: (1) The depot passenger shelter and other possible grant programs; (2) A workshop on historic preservation in Abilene with an update on what we have been doing and possible next steps for Abilene historic preservation; (3) More training and workshops for the Commission; (4) An update to the Commission by-laws; (5) Past success stories of saving historic buildings close to demolition; (6) Looking at an endangered list of historic properties, possibly in conjunction with non-profit organizations and an update to the Register of Historic Properties; (6) For an outreach program to owners of historic properties, we may need to be cautious and do things differently than previous programs.

No action required on this item.

ADJOURN:

Chairman Butman adjourned the meeting at 4:56 PM.

Approved: <u>Steve Butman</u> , Chair
Date: <u>03-28-2017</u>