

Minutes
Historic Preservation Board
October 17, 2012 – 5:30 PM
City Commission Chambers
City Hall, Sanford, Florida

Members Present

Hank Dieckhaus
Mike Yebba
Steve Chusmir
Robert Kinney

Others Present

Norton N. Bonaparte, Jr., City Manager
Nick Mcray, Economic Development Director
Christine Dalton, Community Planner/Historic Preservation Officer
Mary Muse, Administrative Coordinator

Mr. Dieckhaus called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Minutes

Mr. Chusmir moved to approve the September 19, 2012 meeting minutes. Mr. Yebba seconded. Motion carried 3-0, Mr. Kinney not present at this time.

Public Meetings

PM-1 Hold a Public Meeting to consider a Certificate of Appropriateness application for a hanging wood sign at 107 Magnolia Avenue.
Tax Parcel Number: 25-19-30-5AG-0302-0120
Property Owner: Howard S. Marks
Representative: Howard S. Marks

Mr. Chusmir made a motion to approve the 4 x 6 size of the sign with the condition the sign be rebuilt to meet building code and the reason the size of the sign is being approved is due to the business being located off the main festival street and is extremely difficult to see. Motion died due to lack of a second.

Mr. Kinney moved to deny the request to retain a hanging wood sign at 107 S. Magnolia Avenue based on a finding that the proposed change is not consistent with the purpose and intent of Schedule S and does not comply with the specific design guidelines contained within Schedule S, as outlined in the staff report and request the applicant look for other solutions to comply with the codes or install a fabric awning sign surrounding front of building and the existing sign must be removed within 2 months. Mr. Yebba seconded. Motion carried 3-1, Mr. Chusmir against.

PM-2 Hold a Public Meeting to consider a Certificate of Appropriateness application to install a woven wire fence at 715 S. Oak Avenue.
Tax Parcel Number: 25-19-30-5AG-1204-0040
Property Owners: Robert Cassels and Thomas Beck
Representative: Robert Cassels

Mr. Kinney disclosed he spoke to the applicant.

Mr. Yebba moved to approve the request to install a woven wire fence at 715 S. Oak Avenue based on a finding that the proposed change is consistent with the purpose and intent of Schedule S, and complies with the specific design guidelines contained within Schedule S, as outlined in the staff report. Mr. Kinney seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Minor Reviews

Review of Certificate of Appropriateness approvals issued administratively September 1, 2012 through September 27, 2012.

Mr. Chusmir moved to approve the minor reviews. Mr. Yebba seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

6 Month Reviews (April 2012 Meeting)

112 E. 1st Street

Item: The applicant received approval for a comprehensive sign package based on the uniqueness of the property because it abuts an alley/street known as Rand Ave making it a corner business

Status: Window signs have been installed.

910 S. Myrtle Avenue

Item: The applicant received approval to construct a 350 square foot addition on the south side of the house subject to the following conditions: 1) applicant will remove existing asbestos shingles to prepare for acceptance of new asphalt architectural design shingles in keeping with the architecture of the craftsman as it is; 2) relocate/recycle existing windows into new addition and manufacture windows of same type and style needed for other openings; and 3) the peak area of the new constructed roof will not form a gable, but will be finished as a hip style with matching shingles.

Status: The applicant has not obtained a building permit to construct the addition.

613 S. Magnolia Avenue

Item: The applicant received approval to construct a two car carport addition to the existing carriage house.

Status: The applicant has not obtained a building permit to construct the addition.

Mr. Kinney moved to approve the 6 Month Reviews with a six month extension granted to the 910 Myrtle Avenue and 613 Magnolia Avenue properties. Mr. Chusmir seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Citizen Participation

None.

Staff Reports

Ms. Dalton informed the board the Chairman and Vice Chairman election will be held at the November meeting. The City Commission has not completed the board interviews, but hopefully will have a new member appointed prior to the November meeting.

Ms. Dalton informed the board the next scheduled meeting will be November 14th instead of November 21st.

Ms. Dalton reported the new website is up and running and requested information from the board members to place on the Historic Preservation page.

Economic Development Director Nick Mcray informed the board he is facilitating a focus group discussion regarding the Historic Preservations Board's "vision" and priorities for Sanford and the board's feedback will be considered in the "Imagine Sanford" project.

City Manager Norton N. Bonaparte, Jr. stated this is an exciting opportunity for Sanford to decide how we want Sanford to look. There is an active campaign involving the residents defining what we want Sanford to be and thanked the board for their participation in the project.

Economic Development Director Nick Mcray introduced consultant Whit Blanton (Renaissance Visioning). Mr. Blanton requested the board's input regarding their "vision" and priorities for Sanford, which will be considered in the "Imagine Sanford" project.

Items discussed were: the large number of homes in the historical district, a traditional neighborhood design, friendly people, preservation needs to be a priority, need to fix the crime and housing issues in the Georgetown and Goldsboro areas, and when City Hall is relocated it needs to remain in the downtown area.

Staff Reports

Ms. Dalton gave an update on the property located at 519 Palmetto Avenue.

Chairman and Board Items for Discussion

Mr. Kinney stated the signage on the SunTrust building appears to be something different than what was approved. Ms. Dalton stated she would check and report back.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.