

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION DESIGN REVIEW

## Minutes of the Meeting April 28, 2022

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A meeting of the Historic Preservation Design Review Committee was held on Thursday, April 28, 2022, in the City Council Chambers located on the Fourth Floor of the Sumter Opera House. Six board members –Ms. Julie Herlong, Mr. Randy Abbott, Ms. Lucy Wilson, Ms. Heidi Burkett, Mr. Jerome Robinson and Ms. Hyacinth Kinley were present. Ms. Jean Whitaker was absent.

Staff members present were Mr. Kyle Kelly and Ms. Kellie Chapman.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Ms. Julie Herlong.

## **MINUTES**

Mr. Jerome Robinson made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2022, meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Heidi Burkett and carried by a unanimous vote.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

HP-22-04, 6 Law Range (City) was presented by Mr. Kyle Kelly. The Committee reviewed this request for Historic Preservation Design Review approval for replacement of existing wood windows with vinyl windows, replacement of wood front door and awning with new wood door and trim surround, and replacement of existing rear metal balcony and spiral staircase with a large metal balcony and switchback staircase.

Mr. Kelly stated the property is a rectangular two-story building constructed around 1990. The property is part of the Downtown Sumter National Register District.

Mr. Scott Bell, Mr. Travis McIntosh and Mr. Burns Shaw were present to speak in favor of the request.

After some discussion, Ms. Heidi Burkett made a motion to approve this request in accordance with the materials, photographs, and construction details submitted and based on compliance with Design Review Guidelines. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hyacinth Kinley and carried by a unanimous vote.

<u>HP-22-05, 24 Park Ave. (City)</u> was presented by Mr. Kyle Kelly. The Committee reviewed this request for Historic Preservation Design Review approval for installation of a 6 ft. tall fence to screen HVAC until, which will connect to a 6 ft. tall black coated vinyl fence located along south side of residence.

Mr. Kelly mentioned the applicant intends to create a dog pen area and to screen HVAC equipment along portions of the south side yard and rear yard of the property.

Mr. Kelly added 24 Park Ave is a two-story Craftsman Bungalow, constructed in the early 1900's, according to the Sumter County Assessor records. Based on the age of the building and its architectural design and features, 24 Park Ave. is considered a contributing structure to the Hampton Park Historic District.

Mr. Art Bradham was present to speak on behalf of the request.

After some discussion, Mr. Jerome Robinson made a motion to approve this request in accordance with the materials, photographs, and construction details submitted and based on compliance with Design Review Guidelines. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lucy Wilson and carried by a unanimous vote.

HP-20-09 (REV 1), 129 N. Washington St. (City) was presented by Mr. Kyle Kelly. The Committee reviewed this request for Historic Preservation Design Review approval for construction of a +/- 26,500 sq. ft. hospital emergency room renovation and addition (+/- 13,000 sq. ft. of which will extend the building footprint).

Mr. Kelly mentioned in 2020, the applicant sought and obtained Design Review approval for a proposed emergency room addition to the existing structure. This request is a revision to that project, which revises the configuration of the addition.

Mr. Kelly stated the submitted plans detail numerous first floor windows. While the windows located on the corner facing Canal St. and the north facing windows are generally analogous to existing windows on the hospital complex, the applicant is proposing a change to the originally approved plans that result in a different style window opening, due to the location of the examination rooms in the facility. The applicant has provided two alternative design concepts for Board Review.

 Alternative 1 would be consist of a window opening with a transom-style opening at the top, and brick infill at the bottom. The alternative would rely on landscaping (Sabal Palmettos and loropetulum shrubs) to accent the N. Main St. -facing wall and mitigate the effect of the unusual

	window design.	
	<ul> <li>Alternative 2 would consist of the same transom-style opening, but instead of bring infill at the bottom, spandrel glass would be used to create the effect of a full window opening.</li> </ul>	
	After some discussion, Ms. Hyacinth Kinley made a motion to approve the proposed 26,500 sq. ft. renovation/addition, in accordance with the materials, photographs, and construction details submitted and referenced in the Staff Report based on compliance with Design Review Guidelines, with the condition that proposed alternative #2 be utilized, specifically use of spandrel glass windows on the Main Street and Canal Street facing facades. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lucy Wilson and carried by a unanimous vote.	
OLD BUSINESS	NONE	
CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS	NONE	
ADJOURNMENT	With no further business, Ms. Heidi Burkett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kinley and carried by a unanimous vote.	
	Respectfully submitted,	
	Kellie K. Chapman	
	Kellie K. Chapman, Board Secretary	