

 <p>CITY OF <i>Sumter</i> SOUTH CAROLINA</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CITY OF SUMTER DESIGN REVIEW BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minutes of the Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">September 24, 2026</p>
<p>ATTENDANCE</p>	<p>A meeting of the City of Sumter Design Review Board was held on Thursday September 24, 2026, on the First Floor James E. Clyburn Intermodal Transportation Center Santee Wateree Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Building Meeting Room, 129 South Harvin St., Sumter, South Carolina. Four board members – Mr. Randy Abbott, Ms. Heidi Burkett, Ms. Lucy Wilson and Mr. Scott Horton were present. Ms. Julie Herlong, Ms. Hyacinth Kinley, and Ms. Frenche Brewer were absent.</p> <p>Staff members present were Mr. Kyle Kelly, Ms. Carmen Lowery and Ms. Kellie Chapman.</p> <p>The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Mr. Scott Horton.</p>
<p>MINUTES</p>	<p>Ms. Lucy Wilson made a motion to approve the corrected minutes of the July 23, 2026, meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Heidi Burkett and carried a unanimous vote.</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p><i>Chair Scott Horton turned the meeting over to Vice-Chair Heidi Burkette.</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Scott Horton recused himself from the request.</i></p> <p><u>HP-26-11, 26 and 28 S. Main St. (City)</u> was presented by Mr. Kyle Kelly. The Board reviewed this request for exterior façade alterations to include 1) demolition of the recessed storefront at 26 and 28 N. Main St., and construction of a new storefront, removal of façade and replacement with thin-brick overlay, 2) Addition of a center parapet on the front façade, 3) installation of new horizontal metal awnings with 45 degree support brackets on both front and rear facades, 4) new paint on the rear façade, and 5) new metal downspouts on the rear façade.</p> <p>Mr. Kelly stated retail space is 5,500 sq. ft. rectangular single-story brick building constructed circa 1900.</p> <p>Mr. Kelly mentioned the building has previously served as host to retail uses, particularly retail clothing.</p>

	<p>Mr. Kelly added the applicant is proposing multiple exterior alterations.</p> <p>Mr. Kelly added the property is site #95 in the 1985 Historic Resources Survey that catalogued the structures in the downtown area. Based on Sanborn Fire Insurance maps, the building was constructed circa 1900.</p> <p>The rectangular building has an aluminum and glass storefront featuring show windows and recessed entrance doors and a flat aluminum awning on the front façade.</p> <p>Mr. Kelly mentioned the Gordon Brothers Store occupied the building in 1910. By 1985, a different clothing store (The Children's Shop) was occupying the space.</p> <p>The building is within both the Downtown Register District and the City's Downtown Design Review District and is subject to the Design Review Guidelines.</p> <p>Based on age of the building and its location, the site is contributing to the City-designated Downtown Design Review District. However, the 1985 Historic Resource Survey does note that the building has little architectural significance, due to changes made to the façade. It is unclear whether any elements of the original façade remain under the current façade.</p> <p>There have been no previous design review approvals granted for this site.</p> <p>After some discussion, Mr. Randy Abbott made a motion to approve the request for exterior façade alterations to include 1) demolition of the recessed storefront at 26 and 28 N. Main St., and construction of a new storefront, removal of façade and replacement with thin-brick overlay, 2) Addition of a center parapet on the front façade, 3) installation of new horizontal metal awnings with 45 degree support brackets on both front and rear facades, 4) new paint on the rear façade, and 5) new metal downspouts on the rear façade, with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the front façade be evaluated for restoration following demolition of the existing stucco and that measures be taken to use existing brickwork if present and in suitable conditions. <p>The motion was seconded by Ms. Lucy Wilson and carried by a unanimous vote.</p>
OLD BUSINESS	NONE

OTHER BUSINESS	<p>Mr. Kelly informed the board that the UDO was adopted on Tuesday, September 15, 2026.</p> <p>Another training opportunity will be available in November.</p> <p>All meetings will return to the Opera House starting in December.</p> <p>Mr. Kelly introduced Ms. Carmen Lowery as the new Senior Planner.</p>
CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS	NONE
ADJOURNMENT	<p>With no further business, Mr. Randy Abbott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lucy Wilson and carried by a unanimous vote.</p>
	<p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p><i>Kellie K. Chapman</i></p> <p>Kellie K. Chapman, Board Secretary</p>