



CITY OF WHEELING HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

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City of Wheeling – Historic Landmarks Commission

Regular meeting of the Wheeling Historic Landmarks Commission: January 6, 2022.

Commissioners present: Gilot, Greco, Kaiser, Karelis, Sweeny, and Smith

Commissioners absent: Thorngate

Staff present: Connelly

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m. by Chairman Kaiser.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular meeting: September 2, 2021. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Greco and seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion was unanimously approved.

Special meeting: September 16, 2021. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Gilot and seconded by Commissioner Karelis. The motion was unanimously approved.

Rescheduled meeting: October 18, 2021. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Greco and seconded by Commissioner Gilot. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Hearing - Demolition Request – 24 7th Street

The owner failed to appear. Staff provided background on the city's request to demolish 22 7th Street as part of the current contract and the owner's representation in Municipal Court that he would raze 24 7th Street at the same time. The buildings are in the North Wheeling Historic District. The Commission conducted the hearing. At the hearing, Maria McKelvey of 725 Main Street appeared to express concern with property owners not maintaining their properties. No one else spoke. The public hearing was closed. In action on the matter, Commissioner Greco moved a motion to recommend City Council approve the request based on it being the only reasonable alternative for the structure and issue the Certificate of Appropriateness. Seconded by Commissioner Smith. All were in favor.

Public Hearing - Certificate of Appropriateness – 730 Main Street

Susan Haddad, owner, presented the request to repair the façade of her building. Commissioner Smith informed the Commission this application had been approved for a façade grant from City Council. Commissioners Kaiser and Greco inquired into specifics of the project. A discussion ensued. No one spoke at the public hearing, however an email was received from Peggy Cartus, 732 Main Street, requesting that nothing be approved that would cause damage to her property. In action on the matter, Commissioner Smith moved a motion to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness. Seconded by Commissioner Sweeny. All were in favor.

Wheeling Warehouse District Expansion

Commissioner Sweeny recognized Debbie Griffin to discuss efforts to expand the Wheeling Warehouse District. Commissioner Greco did not participate in the discussion and recused himself from voting. In action on the matter, Commissioner Gilot moved a motion to support the expansion. Seconded by Commissioner Karelis. All were in favor.

COMMISSION MEMBERS

C.J. KAISER, CHAIR · JON-ERIK GILOT · VICTOR GRECO · BEKAH KARELIS ·

COUNCILMAN TY THORNGATE · GREGORY SMITH · BETSY SWEENEY

STAFF: TOM CONNELLY, AICP

Section 106 Review – New Wireless Communication Tower - Anthoni Avenue

Staff reported they are awaiting an update from the City's designated review consultant on this application and recommends tabling the matter to the February 3, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Greco moved a motion to table. Seconded by Commissioner Smith. All were in favor.

2021 Historic Landmarks Commission Annual Report

Chairman Kaiser inquired if any Commissioner had comments or edits to the report staff prepared as required by the State Historic Preservation Office. No comments or edits were made. Chairman Kaiser instructed staff to send the report.

OLD BUSINESS: *None*

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



C.J. Kaiser
Chair