Minutes

Historic Resources Board Conduff Conference Room, City Hall 1101 Poyntz Avenue July 23, 2007 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Tom Roberts, Chair; Mike Mecseri, Vice Chair; Jean Hill; Ray Weisenburger;

Elaine Mohr.

Members Absent: Bonnie Lynn-Sherow.

Others Present: Janet Lee.

Staff Present: Cam Moeller, Planner; Jane Winslow, Senior Planner.

1. <u>Consider the minutes of the June 18, 2007 and June 25, 2007 Historic Resources Board meetings.</u>

Weisenburger moved that the Board approve the minutes. Hill seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4-0 (Mohr had not yet arrived).

2. ENVIRONS REVIEW

<u>Pool House and Swimming Pool, 209 N. Delaware (within environs of Grimes House and McFarlane-Wareham Residence)</u>

Janet Lee described how the Pool House would blend in with the look of the existing garage and answered questions from the Board.

After discussion, Weisenburger moved that the Board find that the proposal meets the Standards and Guidelines for Evaluating the Effect of Projects on Environs and will not encroach upon, damage or destroy any listed historic property or its environs.

Hill seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4-0.

3. Announcements and Updates

- CIP Items
- 4th & Bluemont Roundabout

Roberts reported back to the Board about the July 10th City Commission Work Session at which Roberts discussed the Board's CIP requests with Commissioners. Staff informed the Board that the funding request for an archaeological survey is included in the 2008 CIP and will be used as the City's match for a Historic Preservation Fund grant, if approved. The request for a brick sidewalk study project is not in the CIP, but there will be a similar project undertaken on North 4th Street as part of the downtown redevelopment.

Roberts said there might be an opportunity to educate engineers about historic preservation at the next meeting of the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE). The Board's involvement in such a conference would have to be determined and no date has been set.

Mecseri, in reference to a recent Environs Review, voiced concern about property owners who allow structures to deteriorate to such an extent that they request special consideration in how their projects are reviewed.

Hill reported back to the Board about the July 3rd City Commission meeting at which she spoke during Open Public Comments about the Strasser House and the 4th & Bluemont roundabout.

Staff provided the Board with the engineering design plans for the 4th & Bluemont roundabout.

4. Future Items

The Board discussed having someone from the Preservation Alliance present its list of endangered places in Manhattan at a future meeting.

The Board will discuss the Speakers Bureau and overall project list at its next meeting.

The Board was informed that Tracy Anderson has been appointed to the Board by the Mayor.

5. <u>Upcoming Meetings</u>:

- Monday, August 27, 2007
- Monday, September 24, 2007

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cam Moeller, AICP, Planner II

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