

Minutes
Historic Resources Board
Conduff Conference Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Avenue
October 22, 2007
4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Tom Roberts, Chair; Mike Mecseri, Vice Chair; Jean Hill; Ray Weisenburger; Elaine Mohr; Tracy Anderson.

Members Absent: Bonnie Lynn-Sherow.

Others Present: Judy Exdell; Susan Zeller; Scott Kulp; Julie Weisgerber, CLG Coordinator (SHPO).

Staff Present: Cam Moeller, Planner; Jane Winslow, Senior Planner; Karen Davis, Director of Community Development.

1. ENVIRONS REVIEW

New Detached Garage, 316 Denison (within environs of McFarlane-Wareham House)

Judy Exdell said the materials to be used with the garage will be similar to that of the house, including stucco.

Mecseri asked why they had chosen to place the garage at an angle. Exdell said the placement of the garage was chosen to keep the door close to the house and to add as little driveway as possible.

Anderson asked about the roof pitch of the garage. Exdell said a steeper roof would increase cost and block their view.

After discussion, Hill 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.

Lynn-Sherow seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0.

The Board made the suggestion that the roof pitch of the garage match that of the house.

2. ENVIRONS REVIEW

Sign Permit, 404 Humboldt (within environs of Downtown Historic District; Community House; Manhattan State Bank; Riley County Courthouse; Manhattan Carnegie Library)

Susan Zeller, Thomas Sign, said the raceway onto which the sign will be mounted will match the brick on the building.

Julie Weisgerber, SHPO, suggested it would be better if the sign were mounted to the mortar rather than the brick.

After discussion, Mohr 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.

Anderson seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0.

3. **ENVIRONS REVIEW**

Sign Permit, 302 Poyntz, Steve's Floral (Non-Contributing Structure within Downtown Historic District)

Moeller provided a brief overview of the proposal. Scott Kulp, Schurle Sign, said the crown on the sign may be altered.

After discussion, Anderson 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.

Mecseri seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0.

4. **Preserve America Communities Program.**

Moeller provided some background about the Preserve America Communities program, a White House initiative promoting historic preservation efforts with a focus on heritage tourism. The Riley County Historical Museum has been working with the Manhattan Convention and Visitors Bureau, Downtown Manhattan Inc., and the City in preparing an application for Manhattan to become a Preserve America Community.

Weisenburger moved that the Board support efforts by the City to take this opportunity to achieve recognition as a Preserve America Community.

Hill seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0.

5. **Historic Brick Sidewalks.**

Moeller updated the Board about the status of brick sidewalks along 4th Street within the downtown redevelopment area. Moeller said that bricks from 4th Street have been saved and will be used along a stretch of 4th Street, on the west side of the street.

6. **Announcements and Updates**

Winslow updated the Board about the Historic Preservation Fund grant application for an archaeological survey of future growth areas. Winslow informed the Board about communications with SHPO and the state archaeologist about the project. Winslow said the draft application is nearly completed for SHPO to review and the final application will be submitted in November.

7. **Future Items**

8. **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Monday, November 26, 2007
- Monday, December 17, 2007

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cam Moeller, AICP, Planner II

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