

Minutes
Historic Resources Board
City Commission Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Avenue
June 22, 2009
4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Tom Roberts, Chair; Patrick Schaub; Ray Weisenburger; Tracy Anderson; George Lauppe; Michael Krysko.

Members Absent: Brooke Norman-Tapp, Vice Chair.

Others Present: John DiCicco; Bill Dorsett; Linda Glasgow.

Staff Present: Cam Moeller, Planner II; Lance Evans, Senior Planner; Anne Antonini, Planning Intern; Savannah Benedick, Planning Intern.

1. Welcome New Board Members

George Lauppe and Michael Krysko were introduced as new members of the Board.

2. Consider the minutes of the April 27, 2009, and May 11, 2009, Historic Resources Board meetings.

Weisenburger moved to approve the minutes for April 27, 2009. Schaub seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4-0 (Lauppe and Krysko abstained).

Schaub moved to approve the minutes for May 11, 2009. Roberts seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 4-0 (Lauppe and Krysko abstained).

3. Review of Contributing Structure within Houston & Pierre Streets Residential Historic District & Environs Review

New Detached Garage, 527 Pierre Street (within environs of Downtown Historic District, Hulse-Daughters House, Lyda-Jean Apartment House, Seven Dolores Catholic Church, Elliot House and Wharton House)

Moeller provided an overview of the proposal and John DiCicco answered questions from the Board.

The Board was of the general opinion that the garage, including the proposed siding, was sympathetic to the character of the house without mimicking its use of materials.

Weisenburger moved that the Board find that the proposal meets *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation* and *The Standards and Guidelines for Evaluating the Effect of Projects on Environs* and will not encroach upon, damage or destroy the listed historic property or its environs.

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

4. **Environs Review**

Solar Panels, 1931 Leavenworth Street (within environs of McFarlane-Wareham Residence and Grimes House)

Moeller provided an overview of the proposal and Bill Dorsett answered questions from the Board.

Dorsett said the proposed photovoltaic solar panel system will be one of the first of its type for a residential structure in Kansas and said that, in time, the introduction of this technology may be viewed as historically significant in its own right.

Weisenburger discussed the relationship of sustainability to preservation.

Schaub said the effect of this particular proposal is as minimal as possible, noting the project's distance from the historic properties and lack of visibility.

Schaub 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 the listed historic property or its environs.

Krysko seconded the motion.

Anderson said the manner in which the solar panels are being placed on the house is as discrete as possible.

Schaub said there may be other homes within historic environs where, if solar panels were put in place, the impact may be different.

On a vote, the motion passed on a vote of 6-0.

5. **HRB Vision & Action Plan**

The Board discussed the most recent update of the Vision and Action Plan and requested that staff update the Plan for further discussion, with more details included on the action items.

6. **Announcements and Updates**

- **Manhattan Archeological Survey**
- **Kansas Preservation Conference**
- **Core Downtown Revitalization Committee**
- **Administrative Review: Sign Permit for Window Sign, 406 Poyntz, Emerald City
(Contributing Structure within Downtown Manhattan Historic District)**

The Board discussed the possibility of hosting the next Historic Summit within the community.

Moeller updated the Board about the status of the Archeological Survey, and the Board discussed setting a tentative date of August 10th to hold a special meeting with Lauren Ritterbush, Associate Professor at KSU and consultant on the project.

Weisenburger and Moeller provided an update to the Board about the Kansas Preservation Conference, and Weisenburger made the suggestion to invite SHPO staff to visit later in the fall.

Weisenburger updated the Board about the status of the Core Downtown Revitalization Committee, and said it seems to be moving ahead again.

Moeller updated the Board about an administrative review of a sign for Emerald City Market downtown.

7. Future Items

8. Election of Historic Resources Board Officers

Weisenburger moved that the Board table the Election of Officers. Anderson seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0.

9. Upcoming Meetings:

- Monday, July 27, 2009
- Monday, August 24, 2009

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cam Moeller, AICP, Planner II

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