

**Minutes**  
**Historic Resources Board**  
**Conduff Conference Room, City Hall**  
**1101 Poyntz Avenue**  
**October 18, 2006**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Larry Brockson, Chair; Elaine Mohr; Ray Weisenburger; Bonnie Lynn-Sherow; Mike Mecseri.

**Members Absent:** Tom Roberts; Jean Hill.

**Others Present:** Fred Schurle; Bruce McMillan.

**Staff Present:** Cam Moeller, Planner; Sarah Downing, Planning Intern.

**1. ENVIRONS REVIEW AND ADVISORY REVIEW WITHIN DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT**

**328 Poyntz Ave, Sign Permit, Mid-America Office Supplies (within environs of Riley County Courthouse, Manhattan State Bank, and Community House)**

Fred Schurle, the applicant, described for the Board how the sign proposal differs from what the Board had previously reviewed in November 2005. Schurle said the original proposal incorporated leaded glass in the transom but it is now proposed that the transom be wood, with exterior plywood and a paintable pine or alder. Schurle said the sign itself will be internally illuminated, as originally approved.

Bruce McMillan, architect, explained why a leaded glass transom is not a feasible option at this time. McMillan said there is no way to support leaded glass windows without designing and building a structural support system. Schurle said the construction of a structural support system would cost him an additional \$15,000 - \$20,000. Schurle said the glass transom can still be done at some point in the future.

After discussion and review, Lynn-Sherow 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.

Mecseri seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5-0.

**2. Nomination of Downtown Manhattan Historic District to be considered by the Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review on November 18, 2006**

After discussion, Lynn-Sherow moved that the Board support the nomination of the Downtown Manhattan Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places and Register of Historic Kansas Places. Mohr seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5-0.

**3. Project Updates**

The Board discussed the status of the Board's projects, including the Speaker's Bureau and Historic Markers.

**4. Other Matters**

Lynn-Sherow suggested that incoming City Commissioners be provided with a copy of Donovan Rypkema's book, "The Economics of Historic Preservation".

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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