

Historic Preservation Board Meeting

Minutes – November 3, 2020

Board Members Present: Priscilla Mangnall, Ron Parron, Jody Motz, Greg Gnesios, Mikhail Blosser and Troy Reynolds

Others in Attendance: Kristen Ashbeck, Principal Planner; John Shaver, City Attorney; one member of the public

Call to Order/Announcements

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm at City Hall by Chair Ron Parron.

Approval of Minutes

Greg Gnesios moved to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2020 meeting. Mikhail Blosser seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Discussion Items

North Seventh Street Historic Residential District – Enforcement of Non-Compliance. As brought up at the September meeting, the Board discussed the enforcement of compliance with the North Seventh Street Historic Residential District Guidelines and Standards and particularly how it applies to the window modification completed on the home at 515 North 7th Street. City Attorney John Shaver noted that Section 21.07.040(g)(2) states: The owner of any property within the North Seventh Street Historic Residential District shall comply with the North Seventh Street Historic Residential District Guidelines and Standards. However, the Guidelines and Standards were not adopted as rules and the Code does not include a significant remedy for non-compliance. It was intended enforcement would more likely be through neighborhood peer pressure. The Board then discussed what could be done to revise the Guidelines and Standards such as bringing the matter to City Council's attention – perhaps when the Code amendment to not include a member of the DDA on the Board is brought forward to them.

For the matter at hand regarding the window at 515 North 7th Street, Troy Reynolds made a motion to authorize Staff to draft a letter to the new owner regarding the window which was passed unanimously on a second by Greg Gnesios (6-0). Staff will follow up with a letter for the Board's review prior to its next meeting.

Updates

Main Street Shade Structure/Mushroom Move. Kristen reported that she had contacted Brandon Stam of the Downtown Development Authority regarding a location for the mushroom. He was not in favor of any location on Main Street and suggested 7th Street or Las Colonias. The Board would like to identify funding sources before a location is

decided. Troy and Ron estimated costs to be \$2,000 to \$4,000 with a significant portion being for a crane and its operator. Kristen will look into grant options through other City departments.

Sanders Beehive Move. This project is not being undertaken as a Board activity but Troy is planning on moving the structure to his property on Orchard Mesa the second or third week of November. Priscilla has raised funds to help with costs. Perhaps the Board could participate with developing signage as was done for the historic buildings downtown.

Other Business/Public Comment

Expiring Board Terms. Ron Parron's term is the only one expiring in 2020. He was encouraged to re-apply and should contact the City Clerk's Office to do so.

Other. Troy mentioned he had been contacted by a woman writing a book about the sugar beet industry. The original owner of his house was instrumental in the growth of the industry in Grand Junction.

Priscilla has the Operation Foresight DVD available to be viewed. Kristen will look into whether it can be viewed at a future meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 PM.