

Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Minutes – December 3, 2013

Present: Chris Endreson, Joe Hatfield, Jon Schler and Jody Motz

Not Present: Michael Menard, David Bailey, Kevin Reimer and Jodi Coleman-Niernberg

Also Present: Kristen Ashbeck, City Economic Development and Sustainability

The Board convened at 4:00 pm at City Hall

Minutes of November 1, 2013 Meeting. Joe Hatfield made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2013 meeting as written. Motion passed unanimously on a second by Chris Endreson (4-0).

North Seventh Street Historic Residential District.

1) Application of Design Guidelines and Standards to Accessory Structures. Kristen had reviewed historic design guidelines and standards from several other communities and found that in most there are advisory guidelines for accessory structures but no mandatory standards. The Board suggested also looking at guidelines and standards for Crested Butte and Aspen. Joe Hatfield stated that his recollection of the development of the North Seventh Street Guidelines and Standards by the neighborhood intended that there be some minimal standards for accessory structures relative to overall scale and height and materials if the structure was visible from the street, particularly for properties that have a contributing primary structure. The Board requested that Kristen draft an accessory structures section for the Seventh Street Guidelines and Standards for the Board's review before discussing further with the neighborhood and the City Attorney.

2) Street Signs. Kristen showed the Board several design ideas for street name signs in the historic district that had been developed by the City Sign Shop. The Board would like to find a stylized graphic of a historic home to use on the signs if possible. The signs will need to coordinate with the Downtown Development Authority's Wayfinding Plan. Jon Schler said he will look for some possible ideas.

Vacant/Underutilized Buildings for Potential Tax Credits. The Board reviewed a list that Kristen had compiled based on previous surveys and existing designated buildings and did not have additions. Kristen and Chris will submit the list to History Colorado.

Workplan Ideas

1) Develop tours within the community that highlight various historic styles e.g. Bungalows, Craftsman, etc. Provide QR codes for these and other tours for mobile download. Jon Schler will begin reviewing lists of surveyed properties to determine concentrations, potential routes, etc.

2) Pursue Certified Local Government Status. Kristen will talk with Dan Corson, History Colorado about potential application of this status in Grand Junction and a presentation to the community.

Other

1) 2014 Home Improvement and Remodeling Expo will be held March 7-9, 2014. The Board may be interested in having a table in exchange for working at the ticket sales booth as was done last year. Kristen will inquire with the Housing and Building Association.

2) The Board will discuss selecting a new Chairman after Board members are (re)appointed by City Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.