

**FORT WAYNE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES: MAY 20, 2024**

Location: Omni Room, Citizens Square, 200 East Berry Street

This meeting was digitally recorded for future reference.

Called to Order: Tyler Bowers, Chairperson, at 5:30 PM

I. ROLL CALL:

Members: Beth Walker, Jessica Franke, Emily Hower, Tyler Bowers, Tony Borton, Sam Eagleson

Members Absent: Moises Uribe

Staff Present: Creager Smith, Nate Lefever, Sherese Fortriede

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting: April 22, 2024

Motion:

A motion was made by Jessica Franke to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2024 meeting. The motion was seconded by Sam Eagleson.

Vote: The motion was passed unanimously.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Case No: HPC 4-22-24-2: Hemphill Smith Arts Foundation Care of Mark Paul Smith and Max Meyer. Triangle shaped parcel of land bound by Garden St., Swinney Park Place, and Jefferson Blvd. owned by the City of Fort Wayne Board of Public Works. West Central Historic District. Installation of a metal sculpture created by Cary Schafer is an interpretation of an original painting by Jo Ellen Hemphill Smith. Installation of sidewalks and municipal lighting, and installation of West Central limestone signage facing west.

Staff:

Nate Lefever summarized updates to the application and presented information to the Commission.

Representatives Present: Max Meyer, Cary Schafer, Mark Smith

Discussion:

Max Meyer and Cary Schafer gave an explanation as to what the current envisioning of the height of the artwork.

Motion:

A motion to open discussion and to approve the application per staff recommendations was made by Beth Walker and seconded by Tony Borton.

Discussion: Beth Walker thanked the applicants for the updated information and also for their community engagement through the project.

Vote: The Commission voted unanimously approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

IV. CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS:

Case No: HPC 5-20-24-1: Natosha Hall, owner 1223 W. Washington Blvd. Lot 10 & W 1/2 Lot 9 Rockhill & Nelson Addition West Central Historic District. (Exterior) conversion from duplex to single family home. Remove doors associated with duplex and replace with windows. Construction of rear shed-roof porch. Repair and replace siding on west and north sides of structure. Repair porch trim. Replace siding on rear (south elevation) with new cedar siding.

Representatives Present: Owners, applicants

Staff:

Creager Smith summarized the application and presented information to the Commission.

Motion:

A motion to open discussion and to approve the application per staff recommendations was made by Emily Hower and seconded by Sam Eagleson.

Discussion: The applicant confirmed that the awnings would be replaced on the rear of the home.

Vote: The Commission voted unanimously approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Case No: HPC 5-20-24-2: Ideal Builders for Broadway Redevelopment Partners LLC, owners. 838 Lavina St. Hannas Western Add Plat B Lot 726 Ex N 40' West Central Historic District. Demolish existing rear wing of structure and construct new rear wing using existing footprint and foundation. Construct porches on front and rear of structure. Replace non-original vinyl windows and install aluminum-clad wood new windows. Repair or replace missing or damaged siding with in-kind materials. Remove chimney.

Representatives Present: Shannon Roberts, Ideal Builders and applicants

Staff:

Nate Lefever summarized the application and presented information to the Commission.

Motion:

A motion to open discussion and to approve the application per staff recommendations was made by Tony Borton and seconded by Emily Hower. This motion was amended to stipulate that the small 6x2 window visible on the façade and the restoration of the band board. This was also seconded by Emily Hower.

Vote: The Commission voted unanimously approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

Staff Report: April, 2024

Motion:

A motion to approve the April, 2024 Staff Report was made by Beth Walker and seconded by Sam Eagleson.

Solar Panel Policy Addendum

Creager Smith explained the proposed policy addendum.

A motion to approve the Solar Panel Policy as presented was made by Emily Hower and seconded by Sam Eagleson.

Vote: The Commission voted unanimously to approve the policy.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 pm.