

MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS BOARD

DATE: June 19, 2019

TIME: 5:30pm

The regular meeting and public hearing of the Landmarks Board was held on the above date and time in City Council Chambers, third floor of Historic City Hall with the following members and City of Springfield staff in attendance: Gary Bishop (Chair), Justin Stanek, (Vice-Chair), Layne Hunton, Nancy Crandall, and Richard Crabtree. Absent: Paden Chambers, Kaitlyn McConnell, Kent Brown, and Paul Lewis. Staff member: Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner and Tom Rykowski, Assistant Attorney

ROLL CALL:

COMMERCIAL STREET GUIDELINES UPDATE:

Introduction – Michael Sparlin stated that there will be a presentation on 70% of the draft Guidelines and will be one more meeting on July 10, 2019 with 100% draft and the project will conclude at the end of July 2019. Also thanked the owners of the Savoy for the use of their facility.

Presentation – H3 Studio: Tim Breihan passed out the 70% of the draft Guidelines and began his presentation which highlighted new sections and updates.

Feedback and public input:

- Discussion on building colors (restrictions) and possible Board input.
- Renovations and what timeline should be preserved regarding periods in history and also if there is visual evidence (pictures/photos).
- Justin Stanek noted that the 70% draft looks like it would be easy to follow, and Tim noted that the final Guidelines will have illustrations.
- Discussion on exterior lighting (fixtures) and possible rewriting.
- Discussion of the Ruthie's Building on 400 E. Commercial on the Carrara glass and that it is on a corner and the poor workmanship/implementation of the prior upgrades of the front of the building. LMB would look at case by case basis.
- Discussion that Commercial Street has four different time-periods and allowing contemporary styles.

Any other matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the Board.

Mr. Stanek, Mr. Hunton, Mr. Crabtree, Mr. Bishop and Ms. Crandall expressed their opinions on the pending text amendments to the Landmarks Board. All would like to invite the Mayor and the City Council to the next Landmarks meeting for clarification and discussion.

Michael Sparlin recommended that the Board members watch the video of the City Council meeting (June 17, 2019) commenting on City Council discussion and noted that City staff will be getting directions on amending Landmarks Board sections of the Zoning Ordinance.

Justin Stanek suggest that Landmarks Board send a letter to City Council members and was volunteered to draft a letter to the City Council.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Michael Sparlin
for Executive Secretary