

MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS BOARD

DATE: June 3, 2020

TIME: 5:30pm

The regular meeting and public hearing of the Landmarks Board was held on the above date and time via Zoom.

Staff members: Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner and Tom Rykowski, Assistant Attorney

ROLL CALL:

Landmarks Board members: Paden Chambers (Chair), Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, Layne Hunton, Randall Allen, Adam Letterman, Kent Brown and Kaitlyn McConnell. Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 13, 2020 to be on next agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Certificate of Appropriateness: None

Certified Local Government Review: None

Pre-Application Review: None

Local Historic Site Nomination Review: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Michael Sparlin noted that Richard Crabtree from had resigned the Board and looking for his replacement. Commercial Street Guidelines and Landmarks Board Text Amendments have passed by City Council and staff believes it would be a good idea to send out notification to Commercial Street of the completion.

REPORTS:

Report on Committees: None

Application: None

Demolition: None. Conversation regarding the demolition of Gibson Church.

Historic Site and Districts

Jefferson Avenue Footbridge: An update will be provided of the progress of the project.

Potential Local Nomination: None

Communications

Paden Chambers asked for a discussion on the sand blasting on the building at 320-322 West Walnut.

Michael Sparlin stated that the sand blasting was completed in two days and was investigated by Building Development Services and was not able to put in place a stop-work-order and noted that there was no permit issued.

Paden Chambers introduced William Angle, who studied at studied Historic Building Conservation at Kingston University noting that sand blasting is not recommended on these old building and offered alternatives and recommended that someone inspect the building due to the brick being weakened and mortar missing. He also volunteered to help best practices and volunteered to walk with members through C-Street to identify buildings in need and discuss with owners.

Paden Chambers commented that education is needed to members of the public as well as areas of historic sites and suggested a possible public announcement on going forward.

Kaitlyn McConnell noted that someone should talk with the buildings owner and let them know of the possible danger and give a heads-up to other historic areas.

Michael Sparlin agreed with the Board's concerns and will be reaching out to the owner and remind him of it being a local historic and the need to get the required permits and asked the Landmarks Board to give him comments.

Kaitlyn McConnell said that it would be a good idea to remediate with owner due to the possible building collapsing.

Randall Allen asked about a recommendation to the City Council for a reprimand that violated the Landmarks protocol and tested for structural integrity.

Paden Chambers noted that is not necessarily a reprimand board but agrees that something needs to be done for code compliance and asked William Angel his recommendations.

William Angel said that it is ultimately how much the building was damaged and gave out different scenarios.

Randall Allen recommends that the City do an inspection on the building and Paden Chambers agreed and thinks the Landmarks Board should send out reminders to people and owners in historic area of the proper protocol.

Michael Sparlin noted that Landmarks Board has their own budget and can send out letters to historic site areas with appropriate messages.

Paul Lewis believes that the LMB needs to deal with this individual case and inform all others and also recommends a statement of "detrimental elements of what might happen" in the letter.

Board Action

Randall Allen motioned to **recommend that the City require a structural engineer to inspect the impact of the sand blasting on the building (320-322 W. Walnut)**. Paul Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Paden Chambers (Chair), Kaitlyn McConnell, Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, Layne Hunton, Adam Letterman, and Randall Allen. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

Board Action

Paul Lewis motioned to **send a letter to the historic sites and districts with the purpose for proper protocols for repairs (Citywide)**. Kent Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Paden Chambers (Chair), Kaitlyn McConnell, Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, Layne Hunton, Adam Letterman, and Randall Allen. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

Design Guidelines: None

Administrative approval of C of A's: 1424 N. Washington Avenue for replacing porch decking and 209 W. Commercial Street enlarging window openings and adding new windows.

Any other matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the Board: Election of Vice-Chair to replace Richard Crabtree.

Board Action

Paden Chambers motioned to **elect** Kaitlyn McConnell for Vice Chair. Kent Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried as follows: Ayes: Paden Chambers (Chair), Kaitlyn McConnell, Kent Brown, Paul Lewis, Layne Hunton, Adam Letterman, and Randall Allen. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner