

MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS BOARD

DATE: April 6, 2022

TIME: 5:30pm

The meeting and public hearing of the Landmarks Board was held on the above date and time in person in Historic City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Landmarks Board members: Layne Hunton (Vice-Chair), Paul Lewis, Adam Letterman, John Hawkins, and Bryan Lenox. Absent: Kent Brown and Jan Preston. Staff members: Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner and Kyle Tolbert, Assistant Attorney.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of March 9, 2022, were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Certificate of Appropriateness: None

Pre-application Review: None

Certified Local Government Review: None

Local Historic Site Nomination Review: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Michael Sparlin announced that Kaitlyn McConnell (Chair) has resigned. Information on Board Action results for 300-308 W. Commercial Street (Appeal 76 on Board of Adjustment) Mural-failed; Panels-failed; Flower Boxes-approved/reversed; Paint for Decorative Brickwork-approved/reversed.

REPORTS:

Report on Committees: None

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Historic Site and Districts:

Jefferson Avenue Footbridge vote to support RAISE grant applications: Michael Sparlin went over grant information for the bridge and what the Landmarks Board roll is and position on the application. Michael Sparlin noted that the City has applied for 8 million dollars for repairs which also includes improvements to the plaza area as well as the north side area.

Kyle Tolbert, Assistant Attorney noted that the bids were very competitive and will be competing against the entire country, however one element on the application that is noted for being looked at is connectivity issues and how the footbridge connects the north and south sides of town.

Paul Lewis asked about the April deadline/timeframe and if City Council has weighed in on the grant.

Michael Sparlin stated that April 14, 2022, is the deadline and the announcement will be on August 12, 2022, and City Council has authorized city staff to apply for the grant.

Board Action:

Paul Lewis motioned to **approve** the endorsement of the grant application. John Hawkins seconded the motion. The motioned carried as follows: Ayes: Hunton (Vice-Chair), Lewis, Hawkins, Letterman, and Lenox. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Kent Brown and Jan Preston.

Administrative approval of C of A's: None

Any other matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the Board: Will be voting on new officers at the May meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46pm.



Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner