

MINUTES OF THE LANDMARKS BOARD

DATE: August 9, 2023

TIME: 5:30pm

The meeting and public hearing of the Landmarks Board was held on the above date and time in person in the Busch Building, 2 West Conference Room.

ROLL CALL:

Landmarks Board members: Layne Hunton, Chair, John Hawkins, Vice-Chair, Adam Letterman, Erik Kiser, Jan Preston, and John Sellars. Absent: Bryan Lenox and Jamille (Mia) Jones. Staff members: Bob Hosmer, Planning Manager and Kyle Tolbert, Assistant City Attorney.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Certificate of Appropriateness: None

Certified Local Government Review: Landmarks Board Membership text amendment - Kyle Tolbert noted that the Landmarks Board has had difficulty finding someone to chair for Commercial Street. The text amendment will allow someone who works on Commercial Street or within any of the other districts as an architect, realtor, or historian to act as the district representative. Currently it is limited to property owners, residents and merchants and this change would allow a wider choice to fill that position.

Several Landmarks Board members were receptive to the change, however Mr. Sellars noted that he feels that it is still too narrow.

Bob Hosmer noted that the city will be rewriting its code and recommends restraint about any additional changes the board may have because the consultant would be working with the Landmarks Board for input. He also noted that the text amendment will be presented at the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on August 10, 2023, and then goes forward to City Council.

Further discussion about possible changes in the future.

Board Action:

John Sellars motioned to **support** Certified Local Government Review (Landmarks Board Membership text amendment) as drafted. John Hawkins seconded the motion. The motioned carried as follows: Ayes: Layne Hunton, Chair, John Hawkins, Vice-Chair, Adam Letterman, Erik Kiser, Jan Preston, and John Sellars. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Bryan Lenox and Jamille (Mia) Jones.

Pre-application Review: None

Local Historic Site Nomination Review: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Kyle Tolbert stated that he presented to Plans and Policies Committee on demolition by neglect and noted approaches taken by other cities, i.e., St. Petersburg, FL, St. Louis, MO, and other east coast locations.

Landmarks Board members commented on past buildings (Colonial Hotel and Frisco Depot) of examples of past practices of neglect and hoping to get something unified in the next couple of years.

REPORTS:

Report on Committees: None

Applications: None

Demolition: None

Historic Site and Districts: None

Communications: None
Awards and Recognition: None
Design Guidelines: None

Administrative approval of C of A's: None

Any other matters that fall under the jurisdiction of the Board: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Sparlin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Michael Sparlin, Senior Planner