

City of Evansville Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
City Hall (Third Floor), 31 South Madison Street

MINUTES

1. Call to Order. Stephans called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2. Roll Call:

Members	Present/Absent	Others Present
Chair Dan Stephans	P	Colette Spranger, Community Development Director
Vice-chair Gene Lewis	P	Ray Anderson, Park Custodian
Aimee Stano	A	Dylan Bialis, Applicant
Katie Sacker	P	Joel Tomlin, Applicant
Norman Barker	A	Andy King, Applicant
Cheryl Doerfer	P	Amy Hasselman, Kontext Architects
Steve Christens	P	Jason Sergeant, City Administrator James Espinosa and Gene Prudhon, Park Board

3. Motion to approve the agenda by Christens, second by Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the April 19, 2023 meeting and approve them as printed Motion by Christens, seconded by Doerfer, motion carried unanimously.

5. Civility Reminder. Stephans noted the City’s commitment to civil discourse.

6. Citizen appearances and Public Presentations.

A. Kontext Architects – Summary of Report ok Lake Leota Park Bandstand/Warming House

Amy Hasselman with Kontext Architects gave a summary of the report and the state of the building. Sacker and Sergeant discussed potential uses for the building following the potential restoration or replacement. Espinosa expressed there was no support for a full restoration at the Park Board meeting. Prudhon mentioned the possibility of restoring just the bandstand, not the warming house since the warming house was added later. Lewis expressed interest in how the state would view restoring only the bandstand, Stephans stated the state would view it as an adverse effect needing mitigation.

7. Applications – Action Items:

A. 120 College – Replace First Floor Windows (HPC-2022-0160)

Applicant Dylan Bialis present. Spranger and Bialis discussed the windows being replaced. 36 windows would be replaced and would keep the same wide mullions. Motion to take the item off the table by

Sacker seconded by Doerfer. Motion to approve the application as submitted by Sacker, seconded by Christens. Motion carried unanimously.

B. 30 Railroad – Adjusting Setback and Orientation for Approved Garage (HPC-2023-0065)

Applicant Joel Tomlin present. Spranger discussed the application and described the changes from the initial application including turning the garage to its side and to allow a zero lot line garage due to the odd shape of the parcel

Motion to approve the application as printed by Christens, second by Doerfer. Motion carried unanimously.

C. 21 Montgomery – Replace Dilapidated Wood Fence with Dog-Eared Cedar Fence (HPC-2023-0132)

Applicants not present. Spranger discussed the fencing and explained that the whole fence would be replaced so that it would match. *Motion to approve the application as printed by Christens, second by Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.*

D. 122 W Liberty – Remove and Replace Building Addition (HPC-2023-0134)

Applicant Andy King present. King described the condition of the current addition which has no foundation and the intentions of the project. King then explained the proposed pitch of the roof as it relates to the existing. *Motion to approve the application with condition that the new windows be one over one double hung, by Doerfer, second by Christens. Motion unanimously.*

8. Discussion Items

A. 339 W Liberty – Possible Garage Demolition and Rebuild – Commissioners expressed that the building could be repaired.

B. District-wide Fence Styles – commissioners discussed the need for acceptable fencing within the Historic District. Fences should have maximum opacity of 50%, chain link fencing must be black, other fencing should be wood or iron wrought.

9. Report of the Community Development Director

A. Staff-Approved Certificates of Appropriateness

i. 29 W Liberty – Replace Existing Porch with Same Materials

10. Correspondence, Comments and Concerns

11. Next Meeting Date: June 21, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

12. Motion to Adjourn by Doerfer, second by Sacker. Motion carried unanimously.