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**City of Evansville Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting / Virtual
Wednesday December 9, 2020 (Rescheduled November) 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	Community Development Dir. Jason Sergeant
Vice-chair Steve Culbertson	P	Anika Laube, Applicant
Gene Lewis	P	Roger Berg, Applicant
VACANT	A	
Matt Koser	P	
Cheryl Doerfer	P	
Steve Christens	P	

3. Motion to approve the agenda by Culbertson, seconded by Koser. Approved unanimously.

4. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the October 21, 2020 meeting and approve them as printed by Culbertson, seconded by Christens. Approved unanimously.

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

6. Citizen appearances. Citizen Arlene Larson as an observer.

7. Applications- Action Items:

1. 32 W Main – Window Replacement (Application HPC-2020-29).

Applicant Laube shared the new window bid from Ganser Company. 16 of 36 windows to be replaced now. Applicant was asked if a contractor had estimated repair of original windows. Laube responded that she had contractors respond to window repairs as “non repairable”. Laube is applying for State Tax Credits. Commission discussed the 3rd floor window, Attic Window Main St, as it is shown in the drawings as one window with no mullion in between the two glass sections. The drawing of the Main St Attic window is not acceptable as it changes the size and appearance of the original windows. Applicant asked the commission if the 2 north facing kitchen windows could be replaced with awning style windows, as the east facing kitchen window has an original awning window.

Motion to accept the application finding the proposal meets the criteria outlined in the decision form with the conditional approval of the following: Main St. Attic window remains as two separate windows, with a same size mullion between the two windows; Jason Sergeant is authorized to sign in place of

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Chair Dan Stephans; the 2 north facing Kitchen windows be approved for awning style window which includes the east Kitchen awning window by Koser, seconded by Culbertson. Approved unanimously.

2. 14 Railroad – Siding/ Porch Replacement (Application HPC-2020-50).

Roger Berg Applicant proposed replacing the aluminum siding with vinyl siding narrow lap to match 20 Railroad. Berg is not replacing the Porch. He stated the Porch will remain as is. **Motion to accept the application of siding only, finding the proposal meets the criteria outlined in the decision form by Culbertson, seconded by Christens. Approved unanimously.**

8. New Business: Discussion Items:

- A.** Updates on “Preservation Hero” Award.
Sergeant reported the city website had approximately 57 votes casted for the award. Voting to close on Monday, December 14. The award will recognize the top vote received in each of the following categories: residential, commercial, and city. The award will be presented on Wednesday, December 16.

9. Old Business - None

10. Report of the Community Development Director.

A. Staff Issued Certificate of Appropriateness:

- i.** 15 Mill – Roof (HPC-2020-51)
- ii.** 27 W Main – Change of Copy of Sign Board (Sign-2020-07)

11. Correspondence, Comments and Concerns.

- A. 131 S Third – Window Replacement (HPC-2020-43).** Stephans visited the site and reviewed the windows with the owner. Original windows were in very good condition and the repair needed was manageable. 2 non-original windows are okay to replace per HPC recommendations and approval.
- B. 113 E Main – Exterior Repairs.** Stephans visited the property and reviewed repairs with the owner. Stephans identified the repairs that would need to come before the commission for approval.
- C. 109 S Madison – Porch Repairs (HPC-2020-42).** Stephans visited the property and reviewed with the owner the Porch repair needs. Stephans discovered the structural porch columns were failing. He suggested the owner to temporarily install treated 4x4 column posts to support the porch roof and prevent structural damage. Stephans will draft a letter to acknowledge the column support installed and the time frame of the proposal to be submitted to HPC for approval. Columns to be replaced are original. Stephans and owner reviewed options of replacement columns to be presented to HPC for approval. Also, Stephans suggested the owner moving the end of the handrails to be

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connected to the square piece of the column instead of the round part of the column for better structural connection.

12. Next Meeting Date: December 16 at 6 p.m., *Virtual Meeting*

13. Motion to Adjourn by Koser, seconded by Christens. Approved unanimously.