

## WEST CHICAGO HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2013

*Approved at the November 19, 2013 meeting.*

### Members Present

Janet Hale  
Cheryl Waterman  
Garth Keck  
Blake Kennedy  
Rev. Bill Andrews

### Members Absent

Richard Vigsnes

### Staff

Jeff Harris-City Planner  
John Said-Community Development Director

### Guests

Vince Molina  
Dan Racz  
Bev Kennedy  
Donna Orlandini  
Kent Orlandini

## 1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. A quorum was established.

## 2. Certificate of Appropriateness Review

### a. 101 East Washington Street – C.O.A. 13-17

Examples of the air conditioner and screening were brought to the meeting, but the air conditioner specs presented were not the ones for the unit to be used. The actual A/C unit will be approximately 24 by 24 inches square and 25 inches high. it will be mounted approximately 35 feet from the South side and 28 feet from the east side of the building. The screen selected will be dark brown composite material, approximately 36 inches high mounted to the roof, as the A/C unit pad will be. It was suggested that horizontal rather than angled slats would be more fitting to the building, if it was available. The screen will be on the Washington, Fremont and Arbor sides. The owner wants to use the old sign that was previously approved on the front of the building, with colors to be changed to black face with white borders. It is aluminum with backlighting. The owner also wants to add the phone number and website to the awning on the Washington Street side. The font will be a 5" open font as shown on the spec sheet. Previously, gooseneck lights were approved over the bay doors on the Fremont and Washington Street sides. The owner proposes to add three more above the awning to illuminate it. The question arose as to the distance of the lights above the awning, both for safety and asthetic issues.

A motion to approve the A/C panels, front sign and awning lettering as discussed, was made by Commissioner Waterman and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy.

The motion passed by an all aye vote. The lights over the awning will be discussed at a later meeting.

**b. 527 Main Street – C.O.A. 13-21**

The West Chicago Historical Society, owner of the building, is proposing to replace the roof on the house, garage and shed. This house is not in a Historic District, but was designated as a local landmark in 1994. They propose to use Owens Corning Duration series shingles in Desert Tan. Flashing will be aluminum. New lead plumbing boots will be installed as well as 5 new static roof vents.

A motion was made to approve as presented by Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Waterman. The motion passed with 4 aye votes. Commissioner Keck abstained.

**3. Preliminary Review**

None.

**4. Historic District/ Landmark Update**

**a. 151 W. Washington St.**

The City is continuing to work with the Community Center group in drafting an agreement on the property. They will be appearing in front of the Commission for C.O.A. approval before starting any exterior work. They will only stabilize before winter, and The City will give extra time because of temperature concerns with the tuckpointing.

**5. Approval of Minutes.**

**a. August 27, 2013.**

A motion to approve with corrections and clarifications was made by Commissioner Waterman, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy. The motion passed with 4 aye votes. Commissioner Andrews abstained.

**6. Other Business**

**a. Certificate of Appropriateness Application Revisions.**

A reworked version of the COA application was presented to the Commission for their review. Changes were suggested, and the new version with these changes and additions will be brought back before the Commission for further review.

**b. Historical Preservation Commission Letterhead**

The question arose as to whether the Commission needed their own letterhead. Supplies are running low and will have to be reordered if it is to be kept. Commission President Hale felt it should be kept and suggested copies be run off instead of ordering more.

**7. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting at 9:13 p.m. was made by Commissioner Keck and seconded by Commissioner Andrews. The motion passed with an all aye vote.