

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

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West Chicago Historical Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes 11/24/09

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm. Chairperson Dayton-Hale was not able to attend the meeting so Commissioner Keck motioned to name Commissioner Sharon Plante as pro-tem Chairperson. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioners in attendance included Plante, Keck, Schneider, Vigsnes, and Maglinite-Timbrook.

The first COA review was for 129 Fremont Street. The COA was for replacing the glass in only in the front windows at Anona West. Michael Caplin presented for 129 Fremont Street. Anona West would like to replace the glass only in the front windows; they will not be replacing the window frames. Currently the glass is painted and covered with a plastic that is peeling off. The plastic is between glass frames and cannot be removed. Anona West would like to replace the glass with tempered glass or translucent film. The request is to keep the signage exactly as it is with ANONA WEST on one window and their logo on the other. The windows are in bathrooms and the glass or translucent films are needed for privacy. Anona West will be requesting façade funding. A brief discussion ensued regarding different options for replacing the glass all the way to the top of the window or keeping the glass or film at the current level of 12 inches from the top of the first windowpane. The commission gained general consensus that approval would be given either way and that the cost would be the general deciding factor for Anona West. Commissioner Keck motioned to approve the glass replacement at 129 Fremont as discussed. Commissioner Vigsnes seconded the motion for approval. The approval passed unanimously.

Lu Ann Bombard presented a preliminary review for 134 Main Street. The preliminary review outlined placing a channel letter sign at the location. The channel sign is currently being displayed above the storefront for a Karate Studio located in a strip mall-facing route 59 in West Chicago. The Karate Studio has signed a new lease at 134 Main Street and would like to make use of their existing sign. The commission reviewed pictures of the location and discussed possible sign placement. After discussion the commission gained consensus that the current channel letter sign was too large to be displayed above the storefront at 134 Main Street or in the window.

The commission reviewed the October 27, 2009 meetings. After brief discussion Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Keck seconded the motion. Commissioner Maglinite-Timbrook abstained from voting. The approval of the minutes passed.

During other business the commission had a brief discussion about Preservation Awards. It was agreed after discussion that the commission should firm up the details around the Preservation Awards at the January meeting.

Commissioner Maglinite-Timbrook motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vigsnes and passed unanimously.