

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

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The West Chicago Historical Preservation Commission Tuesday November 27, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Janet Hale
Richard Vigsnes
Tony Chinn
Stephen Schneider
Jennifer Timbrook
Sharon Plante

Members Absent:

Garth Keck

Staff Present:

LuAnn Bombard

Guests:

Mike Gunther
Ivone Barone
Shannon Gunther
Fernando Ramirez
Paul Malina
Edward Malina
Jeffrey Stibel
Steven Malina

1. **Call to Order:** Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Janet Hale at 7:03 p.m.
2. **Certificate of Appropriateness Review:**
 - a. **C.O.A. 12-32 183 W. Washington Street:** Mike Gunther presented his C.O.A. to the Commission requesting approval for signage located above the window on the front of his storefront. The proposed Uncle Mikey's sign is 20 square feet in area, non-illuminated and is constructed of ½ inch thick plywood with a painted face. The sign is the same sign that was used 10 years ago at a different location within the Historical District. A brief discussion regarding options to help the sign stand was also held. Commissioner Timbrook moved to approve the C.O.A. as presented with the option to include a green or red sign backer. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion. The C.O.A. was approved unanimously by the Commission.
 - b. **C.O.A. 12-33 166 W. Washington Street:** Fernando Ramirez and Ivon Baron presented the C.O.A. to the Commission requesting the approval of two vinyl window signs to be located on some of the glass planes on the front (north) façade of the building. The vinyl window signs would cover 5 out of the 15 separate window panes of the building's sign area. After a brief discussion Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the proposed signage as presented. Commissioner Timbrook seconded the motion. The C.O.A. was approved unanimously by the Commission.
 - c. **C.O.A. 12-30 112 Main Street:** Farmers Insurance Group requested approval of vinyl window signage to be located in one of the two glass planes on the front of their storefront. The C.O.A. included the request to approve "Farmers" wording and the corporate logo with the removal of the bottom part of the existing Farmer's sign. After a

brief discussion Commissioner Plante moved to approve the proposed window signage as presented. Commissioner Timbrook seconded the motion. The C.O.A. was approved unanimously by the Commission.

- d. **C.O.A. 12-31 128 Main Street:** Ochoa and Associates requested approval of vinyl window signage to be located in the two glass panes on the front of their storefront. The proposed signage includes their logo and business name. After a brief discussion Commissioner Vignes moved to approve the C.O.A. as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Plante. The C.O.A. was approved unanimously by the Commission.
3. **Preliminary Review: 101 E. Washington Street:** Edward Malina, Paul Malina and Steven Malina presented three options regarding the renovation of their building façade. The renovation is needed as a result of water damage. A discussion ensued including looking at alternative options that would also address the structural issues resulting from the water damage.
4. **Historic District/ Landmark Update:** Jeffrey Stibel presented the Commission with an update regarding the Wiant House at 151 W. Washington Street. A discussion regarding 151 W. Washington Street ensued.
5. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the October 23, 2012 meeting were reviewed and discussed. Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the October 23rd minutes with the additions discussed. Commissioner Timbrook seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with “aye” votes by all members except Commissioner Chinn who abstained from voting.
6. **Adjournment:** Commissioner Timbrook moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vignes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.