

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

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MINUTES

WEST CHICAGO HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

July 28, 2015, 7:00 P.M.

Members Present:

Staff:

Rev. Bill Andrews Blake Kennedy Philip Smith Richard Vigsnes Cheryl Waterman Jeff Harris Sara Phalen John Said

Members Absent:

Guests:

Janet Hale

Emma Rios

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and establishment of a Quorum.

A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Certificate of Appropriateness Review

a. 204 Main St. - C.O.A. 15-06

The business owner is considering replacement of the awning on the front façade. The current awning is blue, and four feet in height, four feet in width, and twenty-five feet in length. The proposed awning will be the same color, as well as same dimensions. There was a motion to accept as presented, made by Commissioner Waterman and seconded by Commissioner Kennedy. The motion passed with an all aye vote.

b. 132 Main St. – C.O.A. 15-07

The City is seeking approval of a new wall sign in the rear of the City Museum (Turner Court) and the replacement of the front door on the Main Street façade of the building. The current rear façade sign is three and one half feet in height and six feet in width. The proposed sign is metal and has the same dimensions, yet is rectangular where the existing sign has a curved top. The sign also has a laminate and anti-graffiti surface. The current door is of solid wood with no windows. The proposed door has a fiberglass frame with a large glass pane. A motion to accept as presented was made by Commissioner Andrews and seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion passed with an all aye vote.

3. Preliminary Review

None.

4. Historic District / Landmark Update

None.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. May 14, 2015

A motion to accept as presented was made by Commissioner Andrews and seconded by Commissioner Waterman. The motion passed with three ayes and one abstention.

6. Other Business

a. West Chicago Strategic Plan

On July 21, 2015, a Community Forum was held at City Hall to address ideas and concerns about city planning and the future of West Chicago's Strategic Plan, including the downtown, diversity, and new businesses. These forums will continue into August.

b. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

CMAP have been contacted to review the residential housing in the community. Currently, the City is supporting CMAP and their opportunities for residences.

c. Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Developer Panel

The RTA has sponsored real estate developers who will be coming to West Chicago in late August to identify potential future growth. Based on the city's past and present, the developer's panel will meet with City Officials to discuss things for consideration.

7. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Vigsnes and seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion passed with an all aye vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.