

# CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

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## WEST CHICAGO HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING January 23, 2024

### Members Present:

Vince Malina, Chairman  
Keith Letsche, Vice Chairman  
SueEllen Edwards  
Richard Vigsnes  
Reverend Bill Andrews  
Wendy Christman

### City Staff:

John Sterrett, City Planner

### Guests:

None

### Members Absent:

None

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

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Malina at 6:02 p.m. Roll call found Chairman Malina, Vice Chairman Letsche, and Commissioners Edwards, Vigsnes, Christman, and Andrews present. No commissioners were absent. With six members present, a quorum was established.

### 2. Public Comment

None

### 3. Certificate of Appropriateness Review

#### A. C.O.A. 24-01 – 113 Main Street – Window Signage

Mr. Sterrett stated that Isaac Nelson of The Whistle Stop Vintage, LLC, future tenant of 113 Main Street, is requesting approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness application to install window signage at the subject property in the Turner Junction Historic District. The applicant intends to open a resale shop within the space known as “The Whistle Stop Vintage Clothing”. The store is currently located at 108 Galena Street and will be relocating to the subject building. The applicant is proposing to install a 3 square foot decal that contains the name and logo of the business, as well as a 7 square foot area for the name of the business on the large window on the façade. The applicant also intends to install decals that include the store name and social media logos on the window of the exterior door that will total 1 square foot. The signs comply with the sign provisions in the Zoning Code and the Commercial Storefront Design Guidelines for the Turner Junction Historic District.

After a brief discussion, Vice Chair Letsche made a motion, seconded by Chair Malina, to approve the COA application as presented. With a voice vote of all ayes the motion carried.

### 4. Preliminary Review

None

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## **5. Historic District/Landmark Updates**

### **A. 2023 Annual Report to the City Council**

Mr. Sterrett summarized the 2023 Annual Report. Members of the Commission discussed the need for more public outreach for the historic home landmarking program and the façade grant. Staff will work with the City's marketing team to develop outreach.

### **6. Approval of November 28, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Chairman Malina made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, to approve the November 28, 2023 meeting minutes. With a voice vote of five ayes, zero noes and one abstention, the motion carried.

### **7. Other Business**

Non

### **8. Adjournment**

Chairman Malina made a motion, seconded by Vice Chair Letsche, to adjourn the meeting. With a voice vote of all ayes the motion carried and the Historical Preservation Commission, at 6:42 p.m., adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by John H. Sterrett, City Planner