

HASTINGS HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the Meeting of May 15, 2018

Held at 7:18 p.m. at City Hall

- I. Quorum:** Amy Martin, Ussatis, Simacek, Smith, Ian Martin, and Ragan-Scully
Absent: Goderstad, Sovik-Siemens, and Hauk
Staff: Justin Fortney, City Planner

Chair Amy Martin called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

- II. Add item to the agenda: Request for approval of new second floor windows – 117 2nd Street East – Beth Warner**

Motion by Smith for approval, seconded by Ian Martin; motion approved 6-0.

- III. Minutes: March 20, 2018**

Motion by Ian Martin for approval, seconded by Simacek; motion approved 6-0.

- IV. Information and Reports**

- A. 200 & 202 7th Street E – Rebuild back stairway and add new railings
Committee Approved**
B. 315 7th Street E – New roof – Staff Approved
C. 223 209 7th Street W – New Chimney

Fortney presented the proposal.

Chair Amy Martin said she thought the Rosewood had similarly constructed chimneys.

Commissioner Simacek asked if the proposed chimney would have the same dimensions. Any McCoy, applicant said yes it will be 16” by 20” with the same height. He added that the framing and thin brick will have the same appearance as the current chimney, but would allow a ten inch flue inside for a new wood fireplace.

Commissioner Ian Martin asked what the chimney cap will be made of. McCoy said it will be metal to keep the chimney from leaking in the future.

Motion by Ian Martin for approval as presented, seconded by Simacek; motion approved 6-0.

- D. 717 Eddy Street – New gutters, steps, and ramp**

Fortney presented the proposal. St. John’s Episcopal Church would like to replace their gutters, steps, and ramp on the house used as an office at 717 Eddy Street.

Commissioner Smith said the home was built in the 1970’s. Simacek said he remembers when the house was built. Fortney said in these instances, the proposals are reviewed for the effect to the streetscape rather than to the property

Chair Martin said railings of metal or wood would be appropriate.

Motion by Ian Martin for approval as outlined below, seconded by Smith; motion approved 6-0.

- The house is a noncontributing property and the following proposals were approved:
 - o “K” style gutter replacements
 - o Cement or wood steps and ramp
 - o Metal or wood railings

E. 117 2nd Street East – New second floor windows

Fortney presented the proposal. He added that the steel casement windows that open from the center outward are certainly old, but they are not original to the building. Fortney pointed out three historic pictures showing two over two double hung windows on the second and third floors. Fortney said the HPC approved the proposed windows on the back of the Finch building in 2015. Simacek said they may have also been approved on the second floor of the Lock and Dam Eatery at 101 2nd Street East.

Beth Warner, applicant, said the proposed windows do come with external grid options to replicate the look of the two over two double hung windows.

Simacek asked if the transom windows are going to be replaced. Warner said the transoms are actually in great shape. Fortney pointed out that the historic windows were only double hung and did not include transoms. He added that they were installed with the steel casement windows and the double hung windows should go the full height of the opening.

Motion by Smith for approval as presented with the following conditions, seconded by Ussatis; motion approved 6-0.

- **Two over two double hung windows with external grids.**
- **Save transom windows if possible**

F. 202 2nd Street E – New Sign

Fortney presented the proposal.

Motion by Amy Martin for approval as presented, seconded by Ragan Scully; motion approved 6-0.

V. Business

A. Comprehensive Plan Preservation Chapter Review

Fortney presented the Preservation chapter of the Comprehensive Plan and provided background on the project.

Chair Martin mentioned a few spelling errors in the chapter. Smith asked about the power of the goals and policies of the Comprehensive Plan in comparison to the ordinances that have been adopted. Fortney said the intended purpose of the Plan would be to direct the city in making decisions including amending its ordinances to achieve the goals of the plan.

Motion by Amy Martin to recommend approval of the Comprehensive Plan to the City Council, seconded by Ragan Scully; motion approved 6-0.

B. Resignation

Commissioner Ussatis said this would be her last meeting as she must resign because she is moving to Arizona. The commissioners wished her well and thanked her for her service.

VI. Adjourn.

Motion by Smith, second by Simacek to adjourn the meeting at 8:17pm; motion approved 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted
Justin Fortney