HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Summary

February 26, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

Item 1. Call to Order

Chairman Bissell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Item 2. Roll Call

PRESENT: David Adams, Betty Bissell, Darryl Couts, Rick deFlon, Sylvia Eales, Marilyn Gerdes and Dennis Hartman

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC PRESENT: 2 in attendance

STAFF PRESENT: Doug Hermes, Planning Consultant, Melinda Mehaffy, Economic Development Director, Laura Mize, Neighborhood Specialist, Councilmember Liaison Sonya Morgan, and Lisa Morgan, Administrative Assistant, Community Development.

Item 3. Approval of Meeting Summary – January 8, 2020

Commissioner Couts made a motion to approve the January 8, 2020 meeting summary. Commissioner Gerdes seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0
Yes: Commissioners: Adams, Bissell, Couts, deFlon, Eales, Gerdes and Hartman.
No: None
Abstain: None

Item 4. COA’s administratively approved since last meeting: None

Item 5. COA: HPC-20-002 – An application by David Rhodus for a Certificate of Appropriateness to use masonry paint the same color as Ventana to seal brick siding at 113 W Broadway.

Chairman Bissell asked for the staff report. Mr. Hermes presented the information for the memorandum as described in the staff memorandum.

Chairman Bissell said the brick had been previously covered with aluminum which is what caused the damage to the bricks. Chairman Bissell asked why would paint be better than sealer?

Mr. Hermes stated perhaps some of the damage to the brick could be related to drainage issues over the years.
Commissioner Eales informed the brick was falling onto the sidewalk when she was there and it sounded like ice falling and could have hurt someone. She stated that public safety should be a primary concern.

Chairman Bissell thinks taking the brick off and resurfacing it would be a more permanent solution. Chairman Bissell also asked if the city could bring in a consultant.

Mr. Hermes advised the commission the city is working to get a list of consultants to find someone to meet with Mr. Rhodus for suggestions on how to properly fix the brick for a more resilient and longer-lasting solution.

The Commission agreed no action would be taken until after Mr. Rhodus meets with the consultant.

Commissioner Couts informed everyone the product previously used on the building was Thuro Elastomeric seal and the color used was Brandy Wine.

**Item 6. COA: HPC-20-003 – An application by Michael & Summer Weaver for a Certificate of Appropriateness for various exterior alterations and signage at 339 E Broadway Avenue.**

Chairman Bissell asked for the staff report. Mr. Hermes presented the information as described in the staff report.

Chairman Bissell inquired about the doors, painting the columns white and the side lights by the door leaving as they are.

Mr. Weaver spoke about the damage to the building by previous occupants, his intent is to fix and restore as much as possible. The roof has been inspected the they are going to have it cleaned and painted white, the drop ceiling upstairs is going to be put back to its original height.

Commissioner Gerdes asked what the building was going to be used for. Mr. Weaver stated for music lessons and recording some live music.

Mr. Weaver said he was looking for someone to work on fixing leaded glass. Commissioner Gerdes recommended Gary Hinze; she will provide Mr. Weaver with his contact information. Mr. Weaver also stated he was looking for people that could be music instructors if anyone knew of someone to let him know.

Commissioner Eales asked about the small window egress for the downstairs. It’s small. Mrs. Weaver explained that the window has a vent in it and should meet the requirements.

Commissioner Hartman moved to approve Case No. HPC-20-003 for the various exterior alterations at 339 E Broadway.
Commissioner Couts second the motion

Vote: Motion passed 7-0-0
Yes: Commissioners: Adams, Bissell, Coutts, deFlon, Eales, Gerdes and Hartman.
No: None
Abstain: None

Item 7. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Hermes thanked the commission for holding this special meeting.

Melinda Mehaffy, Economic Development Director, reminded the Commission of the CLG training sign up deadline of Friday February 28 2020. So far those attending are: Betty Bissell, Dennis Hartman, Darryl Coutts, Laura Mize & Lisa Morgan. Marilyn Gerdes stated she would go as well.

Item 8. COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Bissell showed an AAA Travel magazine that has an article about Excelsior Springs in it that also includes a photo of Dennis Hartman.

Item 9. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the Commission is March 11, 2020 at 5 p.m. at the Hall of Waters, 201 East Broadway, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, in the Council Chambers.

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