

## RALEIGH HISTORIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

### Minutes of the Business Meeting

Tuesday, July 18, 2017 - 222 W. Hargett St., Room 305

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Don Davis called the meeting to order at 7:51 am. A quorum was declared following roll call.

- A. Roll Call: Teresa Young, Administrative Support, called the roll as follows:  
Present: Nicole Alvarez, Elizabeth Caliendo, Sarah David, Don Davis, Nick Fountain, John Hinshaw, Laurie Jackson, Jimmy Thiem, Kaye Webb, Gaston Williams  
Absent: Sabrina Goode, Jenny Harper  
Others: Melissa Robb, Preservation Planner; Teresa Young, Administrative Support
- B. Welcome New Commissioners: The new commissioners, Mr. Fountain and Mr. Williams introduced themselves and talked about their backgrounds.

#### II. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Approval of Agenda: Mr. Fountain made a motion to approve the agenda; Ms. Webb seconded; motion carried 10/0.
- B. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Thiem noted that the realty company name was spelled wrong in the minutes and suggested it be corrected to Trademark Realty. Ms. David made a motion to waive reading of the amended minutes and move for approval; Ms. Webb seconded; motion carried 10/0.
- C. Approval of May COA Committee Minutes: Mr. Hinshaw moved for approval of the May COA committee minutes; Mr. Thiem seconded; motion carried 5/0.

#### III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Rezoning Application: 3101 Hillsborough Street Z-16-17. Mr. Davis gave an overview of the application's history with the commission and added that Ms. Tully was writing a staff memo that stated the commission was not opposed to the development but it was not in keeping with the district. Ms. Jackson made a motion to approve the staff memo; Mr. Fountain seconded motion carried 9/1 (Mr. Hinshaw dissenting).
- B. Nash Square Consultant Selection: Mr. Hinshaw stated the research committee had to pick one out of five consultants for the Study of the Historic Context and Physical Evolution of Nash Square. After reviewing the RFPs and conducting phone interviews, Ratio was the preferred consultant by the research committee and was the committee's recommendation for the study. The commission voted for Ratio as the firm; motion carried 10/0.

#### IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. New Commission Orientation: Mr. Davis reminded it was supposed to take place after the August 15<sup>th</sup> business meeting.
- B. Planning 100x100: Ms. Robb asked for volunteers at the Farmer's Market downtown popup to speak with residents. Ms. David and Mr. Thiem stated they could potentially come. There was general support from the members.
- C. Preservation NC's Annual Conference: Ms. Robb inquired about interest to go to the conference in Charlotte in September. Ms. Robb agreed to send out a communication to get a final total number at the next meeting.

D. Widow's Son Lodge #4 Rededication: Ms. Robb stated the organization was having a 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary rededication of the building, and the commission was invited to the rededication on October 13, and the banquet on October 14 at the Martin Street Baptist Church. Ms. Robb added she would get a total headcount at the next meeting in August.

## V. FOLLOW UP ITEMS

- A. RHDC Press: Ms. Jackson reminded the commissioners to let her know of any historic preservation news or information so the word can get out. Mr. Williams announced that this week the design for the Oberlin Village sign is in the foundry and being poured for the marker.
- B. David and Ernestine Weaver House: Ms. Robb stated there is now the concern of vandalism with the house. Ms. David added time is likely running out on the house and it is in real danger of being lost.
- C. COA Annual Training: Mr. Davis reminded the commission that COA training would be later today on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor of One Exchange Plaza.
- D. Plummer T. Hall House Move: Ms. Robb explained a mover was set up on call and an estimate will be given shortly as progress was being made.
- E. Lustron House: Ms. Robb stated the property purchase was intended to be closed by the end of July and the house should be moved within 30 days. It is unknown if the lot that for the relocation is available yet.
- F. Comprehensive Plan Update: Ms. Robb announced the meeting was to be rescheduled.
- G. Leesville Teacherage: Ms. Robb reported the developer is in the process of working with the State Historic Preservation Office, as a requirement of getting an Army Corps of Engineers' permit. Ms. David gave additional information on the history of the case for the commission and that the developer has explored many options and they wish for it to be resolved in any way possible.
- H. Community Development Division Housing Reviews: No report.

## VI. NEWS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

See as listed in agenda.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Thiem updated the commission regarding the state of the Gables Motor Lodge property and that there has been an increase of activity in the property as there are two potential buyers. Ms. Robb confirmed a consultant is working on a landmark report.

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 am.

Don Davis, Chair  
Raleigh Historic Development Commission

Teresa Young, Administrative Support  
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