

RALEIGH HISTORIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Minutes of the Business Meeting

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 - 222 W. Hargett St., Room 305

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Don Davis called the meeting to order at 7:52 am. A quorum was declared following roll call.

Roll Call: Teresa Young, Administrative Support, called the roll as follows:

Present: Elizabeth Caliendo, Sarah David, Don Davis, Nick Fountain, Jenny Harper, John Hinshaw, Laurie Jackson, Jimmy Thiem, Kaye Webb, Gaston Williams

Excused: Travis Bailey

Absent: Nicole Alvarez

Other: Melissa Robb, Preservation Planner; Tania Tully, Preservation Planner; Teresa Young, Administrative Support

II. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Approval of Agenda: Mr. Fountain moved for approval of the agenda; Mr. Hinshaw seconded; motion carried 8/0.
- B. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Fountain moved for approval of the December minutes; Mr. Hinshaw seconded; motion carried 8/0.

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Demolition by Neglect – 418 Cutler Street: Mr. Davis reported the house has fallen into disrepair and has deteriorated over time. Ms. Tully explained the process and next steps. If the commission agrees that the house is undergoing demolition by neglect, the report will be forwarded to Housing and Neighborhoods with a request to initiate the process. Mr. Davis reported that the Boylan Heights Homeowners Association sent a letter about the problems with the property and opportunities to fix them and reported that only one problem was fixed. Mr. Fountain requested that copies of the letters be included to show the previous communication. Mr. Hinshaw made a motion to send the request to Housing and Neighborhoods to begin the formal Demolition by Neglect process; Ms. David seconded; motion carried 10/0.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Historic Preservation 101: Certificates of Appropriateness: Ms. Harper suggested this be discussed at the February meeting instead as some new commission members were absent. The commission agreed to move this to the next month's meeting.
- B. Planning 101: Comprehensive Plan Consistency: Ms. Tully stated she spoke with the executive committee members about cases that are brought up by the Planning Commission and then brought to City Council. Ms. Tully added if any decision made by Council is counter to the Comprehensive Plan then the Comprehensive Plan is amended to align with that decision. The commissioners expressed concern about Certificates of Appropriateness as well as attorneys

challenging City Council decisions. The commissioners asked when is the effective date for decisions, and Ms. Tully answered it is usually the date of the filing.

- C. Latta University Site Event Partnership: Ms. Tully asked for volunteers to help coordinate with the event as the Historic Resources Museums Advisory Board reached out to the commission to inquire about a partnership. Ms. Jackson, Ms. David and Mr. Williams volunteered to help.

V. FOLLOW UP ITEMS

- A. 2018 Retreat: Ms. Tully stated the date is February 19 from 5 to 8 PM at the Mordecai Historic Park Visitor Center.
- B. Preservation Project Updates: Ms. Tully announced the architectural survey update will have some modifications. The outcome of the survey is the selection of neighborhoods that will be placed on the study list. The contract will be extended. Ms. Tully added that all the current projects will have contract extensions including the survey, the Nash Square report, and the draft landmark reports for the Gables Motor Lodge, the Daladams (Adams-Scott) House and the Lustron House. The historic preservation toolkit may be presented at a City Council work session on February 20. Ms. Robb added that for the Oakwood report update the comments from the State Historic Preservation Office are expected in March. Mr. Davis inquired about the Plummer T. Hall house. Ms. Tully answered that the bids to construct foundations for both the Plummer T. Hall house and the Lustron house will be released on January 17, and a fence is going to be installed at the Lustron house. Ms. Tully added on February 6 a joint public hearing for the three landmarks will take place. This includes the William A Curtis House, Mount Hope Cemetery and City Cemetery.
- C. Carolina Pines Hotel: Mr. Hinshaw reported that at a CAC meeting he was asked if a landmark can be de-designated. He also gave a little history about the hotel. Mr. Hinshaw stated a third party might be interested in acquiring the property to turn it into a golf academy. Ms. Tully stated that a COA application requesting demolition would go in front of the commission, or de-designation could be requested through the same process as designation. Mr. Hinshaw stated he will contact them to offer assistance.
- D. Historic Landmark Designations - Joint Hearing with City Council will be February 6.
- E. Oberlin Village Pending HOD – City Council Public Hearing will be February 6.

VI. NEWS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

- A. NAPC Forum 2018: Ms. Tully stated the registration has not been opened yet, but she will find out more about it so interested commissioners can participate.
- B. Preservation NC 2018 Annual Conference: Ms. Tully reminded the commissioners to book their hotel rooms at the Blockade Runner as they will go quickly. All information for the conference is on the PNC website.
- C. Newsletter of North Carolina Historic Preservation Office

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Staffing: Ms. Tully announced that three strong candidates were recently interviewed and the position will be filled soon.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 am.

Don Davis, Chair
Raleigh Historic Development Commission

Teresa Young, Administrative Support
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