

COURTHOUSE SQUARE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

June 2, 2008

Be it remembered that the Courthouse Square Preservation Commission did meet in regular session on Monday, June 2, at 5:00 p.m. in the second floor courtroom of City Hall with the following members present:

Will Lewis, Chairman
Jim Pryor
Andy Phillips
Phil Bailey
Theresa Flautt
Mike Overstreet

Tim Akers, City Planner
Tiffany Hatcher, Consultant
Mary Annie Brown, Secretary

Absent: Watt Bishop

After the meeting was called to order by Chairman Lewis, Commissioner Jim Pryor made a motion to approve the May 5, 2008 Minutes with Commissioner Mike Overstreet seconding the motion. All present voting aye.

Discussion was heard on CHS case #012. Chris Cockroft and David Chase, who are connected with 'It's About Time Oxford', LLC, a Commercial/Retail Development on Tyler Avenue, came before the Commission for approval of their application of the COA. Mr. Cockroft and Mr. Chase assured the Commission that the stairs facing west were interior stairs; and the railing on top of retaining wall is a safety issue and would match the front of the building. There were concerns regarding why there were no windows on the wall facing the alley. It was explained there could be windows as long as there was five (5) feet between the structure and the property line. Mr. Chase stated that he would prefer to have the windows and would amend his application. Commissioner Andy Phillips moved for a motion to accept the application for Certificate of Appropriateness with an amendment regarding the placement of windows on the side walls with Commissioner Will Lewis seconding the motion. All present voting aye.

Discussion was heard on CHS case #010. Bradley Bishop came before the Commission to give an up-date on the renovation of The Lyric Theater and to ask permission to demolish the existing marquee and move forward with a new marquee. He is working with a sign company to get the correct size in order to receive a sign permit from the Building Department. Commissioner Mike Overstreet moved for a motion to demolish existing marquee and replace existing marquee with Jim Pryor seconding the motion. All present voting aye.

Discussion was heard on CHS case #013 for application of COA for Parrish Baker Pub rear addition and alteration of front façade. After a lengthy discussion, the Committee did not approve the proposed alterations regarding the front façade. Mr. Baker proposed a corner

entrance with double doors in order to obtain more interior spacing for the interior. All members were concerned that design submitted did not retain the basic facade which had been existing for the last 50 years. Mr. Baker was advised to obtain a report from a structural engineer regarding the building and to obtain a detail drawing of any proposed changes. The Commission informed Mr. Baker that, if needed, they would call a special meeting.

After discussion of rear storeroom addition was heard, Commissioner Andy Phillips made a Motion to approve rear storeroom addition with Commissioner Jim Pryor seconding the motion. All present voting aye.

The next meeting date will be July 7, 2008 at 5:00 p.m..