

COURTHOUSE SQUARE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Be it remembered that the Courthouse Square Preservation Commission did meet in regular session on Monday, February 2, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. on the second floor in the courtroom of City Hall with the following members present:

Will Lewis, Chairman
Jim Pryor
Mike Overstreet
Andy Phillips
Watt Bishop
Teresa Flautt
Phil Bailey

Tim Akers, City Planner
Katrina Hourin, Assistant City Planner
Tiffany Smith, Consultant
Mary Annie Brown, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Will Lewis.

After the meeting was called to order, Commissioner Mike Overstreet made a motion to approve the December 22, 2008 minutes. Commissioner Teresa Flautt seconded the motion. All present voting aye. The motion was approved.

CHS Case #022 – Mr. Corey Alger, representing Miller and Russell French, came before the Commissioners in regard to an Application for COA for property located at 208 South Lamar. Mr. Alger stated that the owners plan to make only minimal renovations at this time, including replacing the existing exterior stairs and kitchen canopy, replacing the upper floor windows, and adding a portal window on the second floor façade and adding canopies over the upper floor windows and stairs.

Mr. Lewis informed the Commissioners that the previous plans presented on August 4, 2008, for complimentary review and informal comments had been scuttled. Mr. Lewis reminded the Commissioners that this building currently encroaches into the city right-of-way. Mr. Lewis wanted the record to show that this Board cannot grant permission to invade the city right-of-way and that Mr. Alger would be required to go before the Board of Alderman for their approval. Mr. Alger acknowledged that he understood this procedure and would seek approval from the Board of Alderman prior to beginning the renovations.

Mr. Alger requested approval to:

1. replace the existing windows with insulated glass windows of the same size and type;
2. replace, rather than repair, the existing stairs in the same location with metal stairs which would meet code;
3. replace the existing roof over bathroom to include a new extension of roof over rear kitchen with the new roof in the same location;

4. install a canopy over the stairs and over the second story window on the front façade;
and
5. Punch a octagonal a hole in the second story of the façade in order to allow a portal to the proposed roof deck on the other side.

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Andy Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Teresa Flautt to approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness. All present voting aye. The motion was approved.

With no further business, the Commission meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Will Lewis.

The next regular meeting date will be March 2, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.