

## COURTHOUSE SQUARE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Be it remembered that the Courthouse Square Preservation Commission did meet in regular session on Monday, October 3, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. on the second floor in the courtroom of City Hall with the following members present:

Andy Phillips, Chairman  
Phil Bailey  
Mike Bridge  
Donna Gottshall  
Will Lewis  
Jim Pryor

Katrina Hourin, Assistant City Planner  
Lynn Conerly, Office Manager

The following Commissioners were absent:

Mike Overstreet

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Andy Phillips.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion was made by Commissioner Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Bridge to approve the agenda.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved

### **Approval of Minutes from the September 8, 2011 Regular Meeting**

Commissioner Pryor made a motion for the minutes to be approved. Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved

**Public Hearing for Case #77 –400 South Lamar, Suite D (Dovetail, LLC)-** Libby Greene, owner of Dovetail, LLC is here today seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 400 South Lamar Blvd. Mrs. Greene has already hung the sign above her business. The Commission questioned Mrs. Greene if she got permission from the owner of the building before she hung the sign. Mrs. Greene leases from Holly Radcliffe and got permission from her. The Commission further discussed if the property owner should be contacted before a sign is

erected. The Commissioner Phillips decided we should hear the cases before this subject is brought up.

There being no questions or comments from the public or the Commission motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Gotshall to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 400 South Lamar Blvd.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

**Public Hearing for Case #81 - 65 North Lamar Blvd. (Renasant Bank)-** Virginia Pence, representing the owner of the building, is seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 65 North Lamar Blvd. Mrs. Pence is seeking permission to install a 14.5 X 29.5 sign with black and gold lettering. This sign will be identically to the Markhow Walker sign that is already erected.

There being no further questions or comments from the public or the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Gotshall to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

**Public Hearing for Case #82-103 North Lamar Blvd. (Josh Turner)-** Laura Jones, representing Josh Turner, is seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign for the property located at 103 North Lamar. The sign will be a 12 X 18 metal sign. Discussion was made regarding the sign. Virginia Pence, a consultant to the Commission, and property manager for the property owner, suggested the tenants are spending un-necessary costs for signs. In her opinion, the painted signs look just a good.

There being no further questions or comments from the public or the Commission a motion was made by Commissioner Pryor to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. Commissioner Lewis seconded.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

**Public Hearing for Case #84 -1102 Van Buren Avenue (Mary Walker)** - Billy Lamb, representing Mrs. Walker, is seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for replacing the front of Charles Walker's building with hardy board.

Discussion was made regarding the building materials. Virginia Pence suggested they not use the hardy board because it looks residential. She suggested a stucco finish, which looks more commercial. The Commission decided they would like to see the materials Mrs. Walker will be using before a COA is issued.

There being no further questions or comments from the public or the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Bailey to approve the COA for hardy board. There was no second, so the motion dies.

Commissioner Phillips suggested this COA be tabled until we receive more detailed materials that will be used.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to table this application until we receive more detailed materials. Commissioner Bridge seconded this motion.

The Commission discussed the issue of property owners being notified before a sign is erected. Commissioner Pryor suggested this be a part of the application. Mrs. Hourin agreed and will make necessary changes.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Gotshall and seconded by Commissioner Bridge to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.