

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

January 6, 2010

Be it remembered that the Oxford Historic Preservation Commission did meet in regular session on Tuesday, December 8, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall courtroom with the following members present:

Jeff Asti
Camp Best
Kevin Frye
Harry Owens
Jack McKenzie
Julie K. Spears
Molissia Swaney
Sonia Weinburg Thompson

Tim Akers, City Planner
Katrina Hourin, Assistant City Planner
Tiffany Smith, Historic Preservation Consultant
Alicia Thompson

The following Commissioner was absent:

Shawn L. Telford

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Asti.

After the meeting was called to order, the following business was transacted:

Approval of the Minutes from the November 10, 2009 Meeting

There being no changes to the minutes, motion was made by Commissioner Owens and seconded by Commissioner Best to approve the minutes from the November 10, 2009 meeting.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

Public Hearing for Case #089 – 1013 S. 11th Street. Jonathan Mattox of Howorth & Associates came before the Commission representing Marley Hobbs seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a painted wood roof line balustrade to enhance the existing mostly flat roof and apply base and crown molding on the existing columns of a front porch located at 1013 South 11th Street, Oxford, Mississippi. Mr. Mattox explained the applicant's request and

provided the Commission with photos of the existing front elevation, drawings, and a materials list to be used in the project. Discussion was made between Mr. Mattox and the Commission regarding the applicant's request.

There being no questions or comments from the public or Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Owens and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a painted wood roof line balustrade to enhance the existing mostly flat roof and apply base and crown molding on the existing columns of a front porch located at 1013 South 11th Street, Oxford, Mississippi.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

Public Hearing for Case #090 – 503 North Lamar Boulevard. Donna Ruth Roberts came before the Commission seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish an existing storage building that is in rotting condition and construct a pool house in the rear of the property located at 503 North Lamar Boulevard, Oxford, Mississippi. Ms. Roberts explained her request and presented the Commission with photos of the existing site, elevation renderings, a survey plat, images, and a materials list of the proposed pool house. Discussion was made between Ms. Roberts and the Commission regarding the materials list. Discussion was also made between Commissioner Owens and Ms. Roberts regarding the proposed demolition of the existing storage building. Ms. Roberts explained that the existing storage building is in disrepair and is rotting.

There being no further questions from the public or the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish an existing storage building that is in rotting condition in the rear of property located 503 North Lamar Boulevard, Oxford, Mississippi.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

There being no further questions from the public or the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie and seconded by Commissioner Owens to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a pool house in the rear of property located at 503 North Lamar Boulevard, Oxford, Mississippi.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

Public Hearing for Case #091 – 714 South 11th Street. William Oliphant came before the Commission seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace an existing roof that is in need of repair with architectural style shingles on property located at 714 South 11th Street, Oxford, Mississippi. Mr. Oliphant explained his request and provided the Commission with photos of the

existing roof and a materials list for the proposed new roof. Mr. Oliphant informed the Commission that he was proposing to use architectural style shingles in the project due to their durability. Discussion was made between Mr. Oliphant and the Commission regarding the request.

There being no further questions or comments from the public or the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Owens and seconded by Commissioner Swaney to approve the request for Certificate of Appropriateness to replace an existing roof that is in need of repair with architectural style shingles on property located at 714 South 11th Street, Oxford, Mississippi.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

Public Hearing for Case #092 – 1209 South 16th Street. Ryland Sneed of Precision Engineering came before the Commission representing Agrivest, LLC seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a three bedroom duplex on property located at 1209 South 16th Street, Oxford, Mississippi. Mr. Sneed informed the Commission that there are several duplexes located on South 16th and Garfield Avenue near the proposed project. Mr. Sneed also informed the Commission that the square footage and setback requirements had been met and that his client was seeking the Commission's approval of the project's design before proceeding to the Oxford Planning Commission for further approvals. Mr. Sneed presented the Commission with a site plan, drawings, renderings and elevations of the proposed project. Commissioner Owens questioned the applicant about parking for the proposed project. George Hayman and Mr. Sneed informed Commissioner Owens that the parking would be behind the setback and in the rear of the proposed residences. Commissioner Owens also asked how the residents would access the parking. Mr. Hayman replied that the parking would be accessed through a driveway. Mr. Hayman further informed the Commission that the existing 40" oak tree would be preserved. Commissioner Spears commented that the rear elevations were the most attractive part of the proposed project. Commissioner Spears also commented that the shutters in the presented drawings did not appear to be the correct size. Discussion was made between Commissioner Spears and the applicants regarding the size of the windows, the number of panes in the windows, and the shutters. George Hayman informed the Commission that ideas for the renderings of the proposed project were taken from the adjacent contributing structures. Mr. Hayman also informed the Commission that the applicant was open for suggestions and recommendations from the Commission. Further discussion was made and Commissioner Spears commented that she was not comfortable with approving the drawings as presented. Further lengthy debate was made between the applicant and the Commission. Commissioner Frye suggested that the applicant return next month with revised plans, including several different versions if necessary. Discussion was made between the applicant and the Commission regarding the different options.

There being no further comments or questions from the public or the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner Frye to defer the hearing pending additional information until the January 12, 2010 meeting.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

Public Hearing for Case # 093 – 716 University Avenue. Ken Ash of Ken Ash Construction came before the Commission representing J.O. Manning seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness to remove the existing railings from the back porch and install a glass enclosure so as to construct a sunroom to the rear of units #1 - #10 on property located at 716 University Avenue, Oxford, Mississippi. Mr. Ash explained the applicant's request and provided the Commission with photos and elevations of the existing site; renderings and elevations of the proposed project and a site plan. Mr. Ash also informed the Commission that all of the proposed units were located on the south side of the property. Discussion was made between Mr. Ash and the Commission regarding the applicant's request.

There being no comments or questions from the public or the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Swaney and seconded by Commissioner McKenzie to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to remove the existing railings from the back porch and install a glass enclosure so as to construct a sunroom to the rear of units #1 - #10 on property located at 716 University Avenue, Oxford, Mississippi.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved.

Demolition by Neglect Initial Review - 1701 Jackson Avenue.

The public hearing for the Initial Review section of the Demolition by Neglect procedure initiated for property located at 1701 Jackson Avenue was postponed at the request of John Shaw due to a death in Mr. Shaw's family.

Executive Session

Commissioner Asti informed the Commission that it should enter into executive session to discuss a potential legal issue that is before the city regarding a piece of property located in the South Lamar Historic District. Motion was made by Commissioner Frye and seconded by Commissioner Best to go into executive session to discuss the legal matter. All present voting aye. The motion was approved to enter into executive session. Discussion was made by the Commission regarding the potential legal matter. After discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Asti and seconded by Commissioner Thompson to come out of executive session and adjourn the meeting. All present voting aye. The motion was approved.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.