

## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Be it remembered that the Oxford Historic Preservation Commission did meet in regular session on Tuesday October 11, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall courtroom with the following members present:

Jeff Asti, Chairman  
John McKenzie, Vice Chairman  
Sonia Weinberg Thompson  
Julie Spears  
Molissia Swaney  
Brian Hyneman

Katrina Hourin, Assistant City Planner  
Lynn Conerly, Secretary

The following Commissioner was absent:

Shawn Telford  
Camp Best  
Babs Ton

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jeff Asti.
2. **Approval of the Agenda.** Chairman Asti asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There being no further changes, motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie and seconded by Commissioner Thompson to approve the agenda.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved and the agenda was accepted.

3. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chairman Asti asked if there were any changes to the minutes. There being no changes, motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie and seconded by Commissioner Thompson to approve the minutes.

All present voting aye.

The motion was approved and the agenda was accepted.

4. **Public Hearing #117-Demolition by Neglect-1405 Madison Avenue:** Rhea Tannehill came before the Commission giving an update on property located at 1405 Madison Avenue. Mr. Tannehill represents Chipper Calhoun. Mr. Tannehill reported there has been a lot of progress in the last few months. The property has been listed with Kessinger Real Estate and shown several times, a tarp has been placed on the roof and a short sell has been requested. Mr. Tannehill is requesting another 90 days to get the home sold.

There was discussion among Commission about continued deterioration to the home. Mr. Tannehill reported there is no way to prevent deterioration. The tarp is deteriorating the property at this time. Commissioner Swaney made a motion give Mr. Calhoun another 90 days plus the 30 days he still has, giving him a total of 120 days. Commissioner Asti seconded the motion to give Mr. Calhoun another 90 days to get the home sold.

All present voting aye

The motion was approved to give Mr. Calhoun another 90 days (120 total) from today.

5. **Public Hearing #154- Certificate of Appropriateness for property at 1501 Garfield:** Ryland Sneed is representing Brad Beard seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for a remodeling an existing home and building 6 condos.

Mr. Sneed requested presenting these in 2 different parts. Part 1 is renovation to the existing house and Part 2 is building the condos.

Mr. Sneed explained the existing home on Garfield will entail enclosing the garage, adding 2 windows and expanding the front porch. The brick will also need painting due to multiple colors of brick. The existing trees will be saved. The home will be sold.

Commissioner Swaney made a motion to approve the COA. Commissioner McKenzie seconded the motion.

All present voting aye

The motion was approved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the renovation of the existing home on 1501 Garfield.

## PART II

Mr. Sneed reported the 6 proposed condos will go behind the home. Mr. Sneed pointed out the condos will be hidden due to the trees and lower elevation.

The Commission discussed the condos and all agreed it seems there will be too many units on the property. Commissioner Asti read page 39 of the Design Guidelines regarding new construction. The traffic and narrow streets were also discussed.

Mr. Beard informed the Commission the house and condos will all look alike to blend with the neighborhood. A permanent drive and sidewalks will be added.

A motion was made by Commissioner McKenzie to table part II until November and requested additional graphics with more detail to be submitted. Commissioner Hyneman seconded.

6. **Public Hearing #155-Certificate of Appropriateness-property at 1403 East Jackson Avenue:** Cory Williamson is seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign for his Law Firm. Mr. Williamson informed the Commission he would like to replace the existing sign. The sign will be 2 sided, metal, painted and perpendicular to the street.

Commissioner Swaney made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness. Commissioner McKenzie seconded.

All present voting aye

The motion was approved to the COA for the sign.

Commissioner McKenzie made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Asti seconded and the meeting was adjourned.