CITY of THE DALLES



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MINUTES CITY OF THE DALLES HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
313 COURT STREET
THE DALLES, OREGON 97058
MEETING CONDUCTED IN A ROOM IN COMPLIANCE WITH ADA STANDARDS

Wednesday, May 27, 2020 4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gleason called the meeting to order at 4:13 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Eric Gleason, Bob McNary, Doug Leash and Forust Ercole

Commissioners Absent:

Others Present:

Others Absent: City Councilor Tim McGlothlin and Museum Commission

Representative Donna Lawrence

Staff Present: Senior Planner Dawn Hert

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was not given; no flag was available.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Commissioner Ercole nominated Bob McNary for Chair. Commissioner Gleason seconded the nomination. Chair Gleason closed the nominations for Chair. The nomination passed 3/0; Gleason, Leash, Ercole in favor, none opposed, McNary abstained, one position vacant.

Commissioner Leash nominated Forust Ercole for Vice Chair. Chair McNary seconded the nomination. Nominations for Vice Chair were closed.

It was moved by McNary and seconded by Gleason to elect Forust Ercole as Vice Chair. The motion passed 3/0; Gleason, Leash and McNary in favor, none opposed, Ercole abstained, one position vacant.

Chair McNary invited Commissioner Gleason to run the remainder of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Gleason and seconded by Leash to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed 4/0; Gleason, McNary, Leash and Ercole in favor, none opposed, one position vacant.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Leash and seconded by McNary to approve the minutes of February 12, 2020, as written. The motion passed 4/0; Gleason, McNary, Leash and Ercole in favor, none opposed, one position vacant.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carolyn Wood, 1709 Liberty Way, The Dalles

Ms. Wood stated Mary Davis and Russ McDonald were selected as Pioneer Woman and Man of the Year.

PUBLIC HEARING

Historic Landmarks Commission Application 177-20, Todd Carpenter and Carla McQuade – Requesting approval to replace the façade of the Recreation Café with one of two options. Option #1 – Restore early 1900's era façade with a brick veneer; Option #2 – Restore early 1900's historic façade with wood.

It was stated by Commissioner Gleason and confirmed by Senior Planner Hert that only Option 2 was under consideration.

Secretary Webb read the rules of a public hearing. Commissioner Gleason then asked if any Commission members had ex parte contact, conflict of interest, or bias which would prevent an impartial decision.

Commissioner Gleason stated he was an adjoining property owner, but was not biased. He then opened the public hearing at 4:28 p.m.

Senior Planner Hert presented the staff report.

Commissioner Ercole asked is the building was built prior to 1946. Hert replied the historic inventory sheets are sometimes missing pertinent details. There was a massive remodel in the 1940s, those details are included in the inventory sheets.

Commissioner Leash stated the condition of the building made it difficult to see what was there. He was willing to follow staff recommendations.

Todd Carpenter, 216 E. Fifth Street, The Dalles

Carpenter stated the front façade was removed; there were no historical elements. The middle building has some brick on the sides. The blueprints from 1959 were found; the entire front façade was removed.

Carpenter plans to retain the framed in windows in the same locations. He had planned to add a veneer to match the sides of the Horn Saloon but that option was not approved by SHPO.

Carpenter now plans to add a wood façade similar to what was used on the Last Stop Saloon.

In response to inquiries, Carpenter replied:

- The doors will be inset to meet fire code.
- Cast iron columns were not found, there were no historical elements remaining.
- The roofline is basically the same with a false front on the east and west ends. The roofline is being redesigned.
- Carpenter would like to add detail similar to the Prinz & Nitschke building but is hesitant
 to approach SHPO with something that would create a false sense of historical
 development.

Commissioner Gleason closed the public hearing at 4:43 p.m.

It was moved by Ercole and seconded by Leash to approve HLC 177-20 with the conditions of approval as stated. The motion passed 4/0; Gleason, McNary, Leash and Ercole in favor, none opposed, one position vacant.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution HLC 166-20 for HLC 177-20, Todd Carpenter and Carla McQuade

It was moved by McNary and seconded by Leash to approve Resolution HLC 166-20. The motion passed 4/0; Gleason, McNary, Leash and Ercole in favor, none opposed, one position vacant.

STAFF/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Senior Planner Hert thanked the Commission for their participation in today's meeting via Zoom.

Hert said City Hall will remain closed through Phase 1. Contact is limited but staff is still processing applications and permits. It is expected Zoom meetings will continue through June.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2020. Two public hearings are scheduled.

Commissioner Gleason commented on the new paint at 201 Washington Street, commonly referred to as the Blue Building.

Hert replied the color had not been approved. An email was sent to the new owner detailing the HLC procedures. In addition, it appeared an awning was installed and windows were replaced.

Commissioner Leash said he thought the Austin application (tabled at the last meeting) would appear on today's agenda. Hert replied the application exceeded the original request. Staff decided it would be best to withdraw the last application and reapply with a revised request.

Chair McNary expressed his gratitude to serve on the Commission as Chair. He stated his hope was that regulations would change and allow the Commission to meet in person.

Attorney McDougle replied that the Governor's Executive Order requires this type of meeting as long as the Stay Home, Save Lives order is in effect.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ercole and seconded by Leash to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4/0; Gleason, McNary, Leash and Ercole in favor, none opposed, one position vacant.

Commissioner Gleason adjourned the meeting at 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Paula Webb, Secretary Community Development Department

Robert McNary, Chair