

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION MINUTES

October 1, 2008

City Hall Council Chambers
313 Court Streets
The Dalles, OR 97058
Conducted in a handicap accessible room.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair McNary called the meeting to order at 4:10 P.M.

ROLL CALL

The following Commissioners were present:

Bob McNary
John Hashizume
Pat Smith

The following Commissioners were absent:

Eric Gleason
Dixie Parker

Staff present:

Dawn Hert, Associate Planner
Brenda Green, Admin. Secretary

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Hashizume seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, Gleason and Parker absent.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING - Historic Landmarks Commission Application #109-08 of C. Michael Riise, Architect for Bruce Cassem & Alison Bahn to remove the existing door from the second floor facing the street and install energy efficient wood windows similar in size and shape. The structure is located at 320 West Seventh Street, and is further described as 1N 13E 4AD tax lot 5400. The historic name of this structure is the Weigelt House. The structure is Locally Inventoried.

Vice-Chair McNary read the rules for conducting a public hearing. There were no ex-parte contacts, bias, or conflicts of interest by the Commissioners. There were no challenges from the audience. McNary opened the public hearing and asked for the Staff Report.

Associate Planner Hert presented the revised staff report. She summarized the meeting between herself, the architect and Director Durow and explained the reasons double-hung windows would not work in this situation. Hert showed the Commission the two options that were suggested as a result of the meeting and explained that the windows that will be used will be single windows with a hand crank. She stated further that wood muntin can be added to give it the appearance of double-hung. She explained that adding the muntin will not go against SHPO guidelines because in this situation it does not create a false sense of history.

Commissioner Smith asked if the muntin would be installed inside or outside. Associate Planner Hert replied that typically it is installed inside and outside. She stated that the goal is to have the new windows be consistent with the rest of the house from the street side. Hert suggested that the commission could add to the conditions a specification that the wood muntin be attached to the outside of the window.

Hert summarized her report by stating that staff recommends approval. She went over the 6 conditions of approval and explained the changes that were made from the previous report.

Vice-Chair McNary felt he did not want to make the decision for the owner of whether they install two or three windows. Associate Planner Hert responded that staff felt that two would work better but that they would be comfortable with either two or three and felt that the decision could be left up to the applicant. After some discussion by staff and commissioners, the suggestion was made to change the request to read "two or three energy efficient wood windows".

Commissioner Smith shared her concern that it be specified that there is no aluminum used in these windows. Associate Planner Hert went over the definitions of aluminum clad windows and assured the commission that the applicant will be required to use all wood.

Commissioner Smith clarified that the only windows that will be replaced are the front ones. Associate Planner Hert confirmed that will only be the front ones.

Proponent: none

Opponent: none

Vice-Chair McNary closed the public testimony portion of the hearing.

DELIBERATION: none

Commissioner Smith moved to approve HLC 109-08 with 6 conditions of approval including revisions stated by staff. Hashizume seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, Gleason and Parker absent.

RESOLUTIONS – Commissioner Hashizume moved to adopt Resolution 104-08 approving HLC 109-08. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, Gleason and Parker absent.

COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS:

Vice-Chair McNary asked if a card was sent to Dennis Radford yet. Associate Hert responded not yet but she has received support from Director Durow to send one and will take care of it soon.

Associate Planner Hert also stated that she has talked with Director Durow about a recognition for the mayor. She will be following through with that in the next couple months.

There was a brief discussion about the condition of the cemetery and when to schedule the next mowing. A decision was not made at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:31pm

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: October 22, 2008

Submitted by Brenda Green, Administrative Secretary



Dixie Parker for Eric Gleason, Chairman
Historic Landmark Commission