

City of Arkansas City

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 25, 2022 at 5:30 PM - 118 W Central Ave, Arkansas City, KS

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Kevin Cox, Foss Farrar, Kayleigh Lawson, Jorge Lozano, Tom Wheatley Principal Planner Josh White represented staff.

III. Consent Agenda

Meeting Minutes, December 20, 2021.

Motion made by Lawson, Seconded by Cox to approve the minutes as written.

Voting Yea: Cox, Farrar, Lawson, Lozano, Wheatley

2. Administrative Reviews for 408 S Summit Street, 211 S Summit Street and 312/314 S Summit Street Motion made by Lawson, Seconded by Lozano to approve the administrative reviews as presented. Voting Yea: Cox, Farrar, Lawson, Lozano, Wheatley

IV. Items for Discussion

1. Review the proposed storefront at 314 S Summit Street

Farrar introduced the item and turned the meeting over to White. White explained the staff report and the requirements of the review. The storefront replacement would be similar but would have an extra header bar. Vincent Brown noted that they would add some tinting in order to prevent sun damage to the flooring and reduce cooling costs. Brown also briefly discussed their project on the upper floor. They planned to preserve as much of the historical features as was possible throughout the building. They hope to have that project done this summer. Lawson noted that when she ran her bookstore out of that building, some tinting would have been a major help.

Motion made by Lozano, Seconded by Wheatley to adopt the findings and approve the building permit for the storefront at 314 S Summit St as reviewed in accordance with K.S.A. 75-224. Voting Yea: Cox, Farrar, Lawson, Lozano, Wheatley

V. Other Items

White discussed several project updates. Wheatley wanted to discuss the Town House Motel. White noted that the property is not in the Historic District but it was included in the 2017 survey. He also noted that the property owner was still planning some updates but was still dealing with financial considerations. The board discussed the merits of saving the building verses tearing it down.

VI. Adjournment

Motion made by Lawson, Seconded by Lozano to adjourn the meeting. Voting Yea: Cox, Farrar, Lawson, Lozano, Wheatley Farrar declared the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.