

BOARD OF HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

MINUTES

Citizen Services Center | Council Chambers
3111 Citizens Way Columbus, GA
February 13, 2023 | 3:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM

Attendees: Libby Smith, Fran Carpenter, Alex Griggs, Emily Flournoy (Chair), Toney Johnson and Mollie Smith

Absent: Jack Hayes, Tyler Pritchard

1. Elect officers

Fran Carpenter moved to delay elections until the end of the meeting due to time constraints and Alex Griggs seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND STAFF REPORT

Emily Flournoy noted inconsistent language in the staff report regarding “contributing properties”. Alex Griggs moved to accept the staff report with the aforementioned note and Fran Carpenter seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Alex Griggs moved to accept the minutes as presented and Fran Carpenter seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

III. NEW CASES:

- 1. 806 Overlook Dr:** C Baker, applicant, intends to construct a second floor addition over a rear porch, add columns and baluster to the porch, change the roof on an existing portion of the house, and add windows to that section

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. The applicant stated the proposed addition will not be taller than the original roof and will feature 8 ft ceilings. The applicant also stated the proposed windows are aluminum clad, true divided light and paintable.

Alex Griggs moved to approve the application as presented and Toney Johnson seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

2. **102 5th St:** Sia Etemadi, applicant, The applicant intends to add a transom over the front door, add wood shutters to the front windows, and add storm windows to all windows.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. Alex Griggs stated he does not have a problem with the shutters but the proposed transom may be inappropriate for the house in question. The board discussed the history of the home and it's context in this neighborhood.

Alex Griggs moved to approve the proposed storm window treatment as presented and Mollie Smith seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Alex Griggs moved to approve installation of the proposed shutters per specifications submitted; Fran Carpenter seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The board continued discussion on the proposed changes and discussed alternatives to the transom; the applicant stated the rafters are exposed and trim wouldn't be a good addition to this home.

Fran Carpenter moved to deny construction of the proposed transom and Libby Smith seconded; the motion carried with one board member in dissent.

3. **605 2nd Ave:** Sia Etemadi, applicant, intends to add a privacy fence and 2 gates.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. The applicant confirmed to the board the proposed fencing will match existing fencing on site and the proposed gates are about 6 feet tall.

Alex Griggs moved to approve the application as presented and Libby Smith seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

4. **604 2nd Ave:** Sia Etemadi, applicant, intends to divide a single family house into 3 separate houses.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case.

The board noted the connection to the next case (608 2nd Ave) and stated a desire to hear and vote on them together.

The applicant explained the history of the property, noting that it lacks historic significance and was previously an adult day care that they intend to convert into single family housing.

The board clarified to the applicant that driveway changes would require board approval.

Toney Johnson moved to approve the application for 604 and 608 2nd Ave as presented and Alex Griggs seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

5. **608 2nd Ave:** Sia Etemadi, applicant, intends to divide a single family house into 3 separate houses.

Approved by vote from the prior case

6. **1920 Flourney Dr:** Wells Fargo, applicant, intends to replace terracotta roofing tile with black asphalt shingles

The applicant was not present and communicated to staff a desire to have the case tabled until next month. Alex Griggs moved to table the application and Alex Griggs seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

7. **705 2nd Ave:** Ben DiQuattro, applicant, intends to construct a hand rail for front porch steps.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. The board attempted to receive clarification about the proposed design of the handrails in question; the board expressed a desire to have a rendering of what the proposed handrail would look like and how it would be installed.

Alex Griggs moved to table the application to allow the applicant to submit updated information including drawings of the proposed handrail and Toney Johnson seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

8. **1540 Cherokee Ave:** Katie and Elliott Long, applicants, intend to extend the second story over the carport and enclose the carport.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. The applicant stated their house is not a split level house in type and this type is not listed in the design guidelines.

Emily Flournoy stated the issue is how the change is an odd addition to the 2nd story of this type of home and disrupts the house's typology. Toney Johnson also stated the addition would throw the house out of balance and be a strange change. Emily Flournoy also noted the lack of a window on the front elevation presented.

Alex Griggs moved to deny the application as presented and Toney Johnson seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

9. **1306 16th Ave:** Gerald Teel, applicant, intends to replace the existing wood siding on the southside room with brick like the rest of the home.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. The applicant stated a desire to secure the exterior of the home with the proposed change.

Alex Griggs moved to deny the application as presented and Libby Smith seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

IV. OLD CASES

1. **601 Broadway:** Sia Etemadi, applicant, intends to add a second story to the rear of the home.

Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their additional information. The updated plans feature a smaller slope right behind the original roof.

Alex Griggs moved to approve the application as presented with additional information and Toney Johnson seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

2. **2500 18th Ave:** Nathan Gleason, applicant, intends to construct an inground pool

No applicant was present. The board did not make or vote on a motion for this case due to facility time constraints.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Refer properties to Inspections and Code

The board was unable to refer properties due to facility time constraints. Staff indicated referrals may still be made via email.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned due to facility time constraints.