

BOARD OF HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

MINUTES

Citizen Services Center | Council Chambers
3111 Citizens Way Columbus, GA
December 11, 2023 | 3:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND STAFF REPORT

Emily Flourney moves to approve the Minutes. Libby Smiths seconds. All are in favor. Alex Griggs moves to approve the Staff Report. Fran Carpenter seconds. All are in favor.

III. NEW CASES:

1. **2005 13th Street:** Lindsey Fortin, applicant, seeks approval for a wood fence (constructed to replace the previous aluminum fence). The applicant also intends to complete the conversion of the current screened in porch into a mud room. The applicant intends to replace the screen door with a steel door. Please see the application for further details. #11-23-002250

Allison Slocum reads the Staff Report aloud (report concludes the proposed changes will have an adverse effect on the home). The applicant explains they have had security issues with the home in its former condition, thus is why they altered the aluminum fence into a wooden fence. The applicant plans to stain the wooden fence to match the home. The Board discusses with Allison Slocum where an appropriate place for the fence would be on the applicant's property. The board concludes that the fence must not obstruct the view of any historically significant portions of the homes, as the standing wooden fence does. Allison Slocum suggests pushing the fence back behind the screened in porch. Mollie Smith explains the Guidelines forbid historic homes to have more than a four-foot fence in the front yard and screened in porches cannot be filled in or obscured. Considering that the work proposed in the application was completed prior to the application's filing and does not meet Guideline requirements, the Board sought to make recommendations for changes that could be discussed in a future meeting. The Board has decided that it cannot make recommendations, because the application did not have the required site plan for the property. Emily Flourney moves to table the case until a site plan and images of the fencing can be submitted to the Board. Alex Griggs seconds. All are in Favor.

2. **700 Front Avenue:** Historic Columbus, applicant, intends to relocate 685 Front Ave to North West corner of the Heritage Park Site. # 01-24-000025
Allison Slocum reads the Staff Report aloud. Justin Krieg explains to the Board, the crawlspace will closely match the crawlspaces on the existing homes in the historic district. The applicant assures the Board that no additions will be made to this house. The applicant explains they are removing the brick dogleg to prevent obstruction of the historic facade. Emily Flourney moves to approve as submitted. Libby Smith seconds. All are in favor.

3. **1020 Peachtree Drive:** Caylin Edley, applicant, intends to construct a sign bearing the names of the two current applicant facing Peachtree Drive and Wynnton Road. # 01-24-000024
Allison Slocum reads the Staff Report aloud. The applicant explains the sign will be an L – shape and will be 3 ft high off the ground and 5 feet wide (a total of 15ft in area). The applicant tells the board the sign will not be illuminated. Emily Flourney moves to approve as submitted. Alex Griggs seconds. All are in favor.

4. **113 7th Street:** Robert Haven, applicant, intends to build an addition to the rear of the existing structure. #11-22-001999
Allison Slocum reads the Staff Report aloud. The applicant explains he has returned to the board because the Planning Department told him he needs fire retardant windows at 5 ft - so he moved the wall to 6ft. Alex moves to approve as submitted. Libby seconds. All are in favor.

IV. OLD CASES

None Addressed.


V. NEW BUSINESS

None Addressed.

VI. ADJOURNMENT



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