

# **BOARD OF HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW**

## **MINUTES**

**Citizen Services Center | Council Chambers**  
**3111 Citizens Way Columbus, GA**  
**April 11, 2022 | 3:30 PM**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM**

In Attendance: Toney Johnson, Claire Berry, Fran Carpenter, Emily Flournoy (acting Chair), Alex Griggs, Katie Bishop, Libby Smith

The Chair called the meeting to order

### **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND STAFF REPORT**

Fran Carpenter moved to approve the staff report and minutes as presented; Libby Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **III. NEW CASES:**

1. **2701 11<sup>th</sup> Ave:** The Cardinal Group, applicant, intends to demolish a portion of the structure. Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case. The applicant stated the proposed demolition is intended to allow for additional parking and use of the main structure for education purposes. Board members inquired as to the state of the addition; the applicant stated the addition has significant plumbing and roof damage throughout requiring significant remediation efforts.

Board members informed the applicant of potential requirements stemming from accepting federal money for any projects. Alex Griggs stated the applicant should bring additional information regarding the state of the addition, including the interior, that is proposed to be demolished. Fran Carpenter inquired why the property has a for sale sign still on site; the applicant indicated the sign is to prevent people from interfering with the property.

Alex Griggs moved to table the application to allow receipt of additional information; Fran Carpenter seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

2. **1240 Wynnton Road:** Hecht Burdeshaw, applicant, intends to add rooftop equipment and screening. Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case.

The applicant explained this was necessary to screen additional rooftop equipment and would not be visually distracting/detrimental. Alex Griggs stated the application appeared complete and well done.

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

3. **320 12<sup>th</sup> St:** Will Barnes, applicant, intends to remove and replace protective glass/metal coverings on stained glass windows. Allison Slocum read the staff report and the applicant presented their case.

Alex Griggs inquired about the listing of options in the application; the applicant explained there a few ways they could proceed with the project and explained them with visual aids. The applicant also explained the locations on the structure of the proposed project. Alex Griggs stated a preference the applicant proceed with the option that would protect and preserve existing wood.

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

#### **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

1. **14 5<sup>th</sup> St:** Sia Etemadi, applicant, is bringing additional information regarding a proposed backyard canopy.

The applicant displayed the updated proposal for the backyard canopy; it will have a “pergola” like appearance and be 8 feet wide. The board received clarification about how slope of the proposed roof and how it would interface with the primary structure.

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

#### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Provide updates on previously discussed properties**

The board was updated about any enforcement and the status of previously reported properties.

2. **Request information from Inspections and Code**

No liaison from Inspections and Code was present to receive questions. The board reiterated it’s desire to have an Inspections and Code liaison present.

### 3. **Discussion**

The board discussed communication between departments/boards in the city and expressed displeasure with a lack of information about cases appearing before BZA (Board of Zoning Appeals). Staff stated they will receive notice of any historic properties/properties in a historic district that will appear before BZA.

Board members discussed the proposed demolition of 800 6<sup>th</sup> St that was recently heard at City Council; multiple board members expressed displeasure at efforts to demolish the structure and stated it has significant historical importance as a remaining cultural resource in the Liberty Historic District. Board members also expressed a desire to be informed earlier of items appearing before council/other boards that are relevant to their goal of historic preservation.

## VI. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by the chair.