

CITY OF COVINGTON
Covington Historic District Commission
Minutes
February 12, 2019
3:00pm

CHDC Members

PETER LINK – CHAIRMAN
PEGGY DESJARDIN
SEYMON “WINDY” HARTZOG
LISA CONDREY WARD
SHILOH MOATES

Staff

NAHKETAH BAGBY, CITY PLANNER
JULIAN “ROD” RODRIGUE, CITY ATTORNEY
JOANN RUCKER, SECRETARY
DANIEL HILL, CITY ENGINEER
CHRISTOPHER BROWN, BUILDING OFFICIAL

Commissioner Link called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

Members Present: Commissioner Peter Link, Commissioner Lisa Condrey Ward, Commissioner Peggy Desjardin, Commissioner Windy Hartzog and Commissioner Shiloh Moates

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Nahketah Bagby-*Planning & Zoning Director* and JoAnn Rucker, *Secretary*.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 08, 2019.

Commissioner Hartzog seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by a voice vote of 5-0.

CASES:

- 1. Case # 19-01-03CHDC Request:** - An application for a certificate of appropriateness for the material alterations – for window signs for the commercial property located at 705 E. Boston St.-Division of St. John- Covington, Louisiana. This case was tabled at the January 08, 2019 meeting.

Petitioner: Jeff Talbot & Saunders Conroy of Laverie LLC

Owner: Ashley Riley of Jordan Enterprises LLC

Mr. Jeff Talbot and Mr. Saunders Conroy led the discussion on Case # 19-01-03CHDC.

Commissioner Moates made a motion to approve Case # 19-01-03CHDC as presented and **Commissioner Desjardin** seconded the motion. Case #19-01-03CHDC was approved by a vote of 3-2.

Peter Link	No
Peggy Desjardin	Yes
Windy Hartzog	Yes
Lisa Condrey Ward	No
Shiloh Moates	Yes

- 2. Case# 19-02-04CHDC Request:** - An application for a certificate of appropriateness for the material alterations for two wall signs and window graphics for the commercial property located at 404 E. Gibson St. Division of St. John- Covington.

Petitioner: Greenleaf Lawson Architects (Justin Greenleaf)

Owner: Patrick McMath

Commissioner Moates recused herself due to affiliation with the owner of this property.

Justin Greenleaf led the discussion on Case# 19-02-04CHDC. Mr. Greenleaf and Ms. Michelle Lawson, co-owner presented a PowerPoint presentation discussing the request for their two signs for Greenleaf Lawson Architects located at 404 E. Gibson Street. Covington, Louisiana.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to approve both as presented with a caveat the architectural detailing of the arched window as well as the line segregating the upstairs from the downstairs is visible. **Commissioner Hartzog** seconded the motion. Case #19-02-04CHDC was approved by a vote of 4-0.

Peter Link	Yes
Peggy Desjardin	Yes
Windy Hartzog	Yes
Lisa Condrey Ward	Yes
Shiloh Moates	Recused

- 3. Case # 19-02-05CHDC Request:** - An application for a certificate of appropriateness for the material alterations for repairs and modifications to the foundation of the Chapel of Christ Episcopal Church located at 120 S. New Hampshire St. (Building B 101) - Square 1 - Division of Springs, Covington, Louisiana.

Petitioner: Christ Episcopal Church

Owner: Christ Episcopal Church

Mr. John M. Dubrenil led the discussion on Case# 19-02-05CHDC.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to approve Case # 19-02-05CHDC as presented and **Commissioner Desjardin** seconded the motion. Case #19-02-05CHDC was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Peter Link	Yes
Peggy Desjardin	Yes
Windy Hartzog	Yes
Lisa Condrey Ward	Yes
Shiloh Moates	Yes

V. Other Business:

- Nahketah Bagby, City Planner noted the request by the owners of the Chimes Restaurant for the Nomination to the State Office of Historic Preservation to place the Claiborne Cottage/Old Covington Courthouse on the National Register Of Historical Places.. Mrs. Bagby noted she had contacted the owner of The Chimes for a tour of the facility. After discussion, a tour of the facility will take place on February 19, 2019 at 10:30am. It will be posted as a work session. A public hearing on this recommendation will be advertised and heard for the March 12, 2019 CHDC Meeting.
- Commissioner Ward discussed a handout of a summary of signage rules and other languages from other jurisdictions she had put together. Two concerns that were discussed;
 1. More Code Enforcement on the signs in the Historical District.
 2. Proactively encourage people in the Historic District and people starting Businesses in the Historical District to maintain the need to be in compliance with the sign Guidelines and the consequences if they are not followed.A work session will to be scheduled at the March 12, 2019 CHDC Meeting concerning the update to the Historical District Sign Guidelines.
- Mrs. Bagby reminded Commissioner of C.A.M.P. for June 14, 2019 in New Iberia, Louisiana also of the Preservation Conference in Baton Rouge May 2 & 3, 2019. She also reminded the Commissioners of the 2019 ethics training online.

The meeting adjourned at 4:06pm.