

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 13, 2022
DOTHAN, ALABAMA**

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) held a meeting on **Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.**, in the Board Room, 126 North St. Andrews Street, on the second floor of the Roy L. Driggers Municipal Building (Civic Center).

Acting Chair, Michael Riddle brought the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

- 1. Members present:** Acting Chair Michael Riddle; Bart Liddon; Pete McInish; Bay Chapman; Ruby Harris; Seaborn Wood, IV; and Brooke Walker.
Members absent: Chair, Wes Grant, and Michael Jackson.
Others Present: Yvette Thomas, Sr. Planner; and Theresa Eddy, Secretary.
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
Mr. Liddon made a motion to approve the agenda, Ms. Harris seconded, and the motion carried.
- 3. Approval of July 14, 2022, Meeting Minutes**
Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Wood seconded, and the motion carried.
- 4. Disclosure of ex parte contact – None.**

Old Business - None.

New Business

- 5. HPC-22-0179: Certificate of Appropriateness request for a 54" wide x 18" wide wooden sign at 129 S. Saint Andrews Street - B-1/Downtown District – Blondies Hair Salon represented by Christina Chapman.** Ms. Christina Chapman, 129 S. Saint Andrews Street, addressed the commission. Mr. Liddon stated that it seemed everything was in order. Mr. Wood wanted to verify that the sign was white with black lettering; Ms. Chapman affirmed adding that the pole was black as well. Hearing no further questions or comments Acting Chair Riddle asked for a motion. *Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-22-0179 as presented for the sign, Mr. Liddon seconded, and the motion carried.*
- 6. HPC-22-0207: Certificate of Appropriateness request - Demolition of a Structure – Property located at 312 N. Appletree Street – B-1/Downtown District - City of Dothan.** Mr. Craig Walden, Building Official, and Shawn Talley, Neighborhood Enhancement Officer, addressed the commission. Mr. Walden explained that the demolition had been approved through a demolition and bid process and that since the house sits in a historic district, it had to be approved by this commission. Mr. Liddon asked if Mr. Talley would go back to inspect the demolition; Mr. Walden affirmed. Mr. Walden explained that this was a normal process and that there were many unsafe structures in Dothan. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone had further questions and hearing none, asked for a motion. *Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-22-0207 as presented for the demolition, Mr. Liddon seconded, and the motion carried.*
- 7. HPC-22-0208: Certificate of Appropriateness request - Demolition of a Structure – Property located at 900 E. Newton Street – B-1/Downtown Edge District – City of Dothan.** Ms. Ruby Harris recused herself. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone had any questions with no response. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone in the audience had any questions. Mr. Andre Plows wanted to know when the demotion was going to take place. Mr. Talley stated that the owner said that it cost too much to repair so he wanted to demolish it himself and that once approved, it would be about 30 days. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone had further questions and hearing none, he asked for a motion. *Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-22-0208 as presented for the demolition, Mr. Wood seconded, and the motion carried.*

8. **HPC-22-0209: Certificate of Appropriateness request - Demolition of a Structure – Property located at 510 E. Newton Street – B-1/Downtown Edge District – City of Dothan.** Ms. Ruby Harris recused herself. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone in the audience had any questions. Marcos Long, Vice Chair of the NBCAR District, stated that they owned the house and that they have a repair permit for 30-days for this location. Mr. Walden explained that if the owner does nothing with the house and they do not extend their 30-days to repair the house, they will need approval from the commission again but if the commission approved it now, they would be able to proceed internally. Acting Chair Riddle asked Mr. Walden to update the commission on the progress, to which Mr. Walden agreed. Ms. Chapman expressed that she would like to see the house repaired. With no further questions, Acting Chair Riddle asked for a motion. ***Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-22-0209 for the demolition, contingent upon a 30-day repair permit, Mr. Liddon seconded, and the motion carried.***

9. **HPC-22-0211: Certificate of Appropriateness request – Demolition of a Structure – Property located at 209 E. Adams Street – B-1/Downtown District – City of Dothan.** Mr. Walden stated that the owner was in the middle of demolition when they had to stop them to receive approval from the commission. Ms. Harris asked if they were going to continue with the demolition, to which Mr. Walden affirmed stating that they had a permit to either rehabilitate or demolish the structure and that they want to demolish the structure. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone in the audience had questions or comments with no response. With no further questions, Acting Chair Riddle asked for a motion. ***Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-22-0211 as presented for the demolition, Ms. Chapman seconded, and the motion carried.***

10. **HPC-22-0212: Certificate of Appropriateness request - Signage – Property located at 135 N. Foster Street – B-1/Downtown District - Brian Walker.** Mr. Brian Walker, the owner of Circle City Brewery at 135 N. Foster Street, addressed the commission. Mr. Wood asked how long the sign was; the sign was 18.5” long. Mr. Walker stated that the sign would be to scale hanging between the two outside windows on the top of the building. Everyone agreed that the sign looked good. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone had any questions with no response. Acting Chair Riddle asked if anyone in the audience had any questions with no response. Acting Chair Riddle then asked for a motion. ***Mr. McInish made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for HPC-22-0212 as presented for the sign, Ms. Harris seconded, and the motion carried.***

11. Discussion.

12. Adjourn
Mr. Liddon made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Harris seconded, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m. The next meeting will be on November 10, 2022.



Michael Riddle, Acting Chair



Theresa Eddy, Secretary