

Central Business District
Architectural Review Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date: January 19, 2021

Location: Zoom Teleconference

Called to order: 9:30 a.m.

Members Present: Miriam Salas, Robert Boyd, Robby Cangelosi, Ashley King

Members arriving after beginning of the meeting:

Members absent: Lee Ledbetter

I. AGENDA

1. Minutes of December 15, 2020 minutes

Motion: Approve the meeting minutes.

By: Robbie Cangelosi

Second: Miriam Salas

Result: Passed

In favor: Miriam Salas, Robert Boyd, Ashley King, Robby Cangelosi

Opposed:

Comments:

2. 521 Tchoupitoulas Street

Application: Reconfigure storefront openings, install new louvered door opening at the Constance St side and install a rooftop trellis at the one-story building.

Motion: The ARC voted to deny the application. The items of issue at the previous ARC meeting have not been addressed in accordance to the HDLC Guidelines. The ARC agreed that the installation of venting through the granite lintel and replacing existing original French doors with louvered mechanical vents would be an unnecessary disruption to the historic fabric. Committee member Robert Boyd expressed frustration that this façade continues to be inappropriately treated like a “back door” to the building. The trellis proposed needs to be further studied; the location and details of the trellis are not compatible with the building as proposed and should read as an independent structure.

By: Robbie Cangelosi

Second: Robert Boyd

Result: Passed

In Favor: Miriam Salas, Robert Boyd, Ashley King, Robby Cangelosi

Opposed:

Comments:

2. 705 Canal Street

Application: Installation of new storefront

Motion: The ARC noted that the addition of a lintel condition (unlike the neighboring building) would be more successful and voted to recommend that the Commission grant conceptual approval with details to be worked out at staff level.

By: Robbie Cangelosi

Second: Miriam Salas

Result: Passed

In Favor: Miriam Salas, Robert Boyd, Ashley King, Robby Cangelosi

Opposed:

3. 801 Magazine Street

Application: Install new fabric awnings.

Motion: The ARC voted to recommend conceptual approval of the proposal with the details to be worked out at the Staff level.

By: Robbie Cangelosi

Second: Ashley King

Result: Passed

In Favor: Miriam Salas, Robert Boyd, Ashley King, Robby Cangelosi

Opposed:

Comments:

3. 301 Magazine Street

Application: Installation of new security gates at front entrance alcove.

Motion: The ARC voted to recommend conceptual approval with the final details to be worked out at the Staff level. The ARC noted that the installation of security gates within the entryway would be acceptable, but made the following additional recommendations:

- Although the proposed pintles are not visible, it would be preferable if the gates were entirely freestanding, with no attachments to the existing historic granite columns or pilasters.
- The pickets should not extend below the bottom rail. They should also have a consistent height at the top of the gates.
- The security gates should use solid metal, not hollow tube, members.

By: Robbie Cangelosi

Second: Ashley King

Result: Passed

In Favor: Miriam Salas, Robert Boyd, Ashley King, Robby Cangelosi

Opposed:

Comments:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.