

Central Business District Historic District Landmarks Commission
Meeting Minutes

Date: February 7, 2024

Location: City Council Chamber, 1300 Perdido Street

Called to order: 10:00 a.m.

Commissioners present: Darrell Dumestre, Adrienne Dixson, Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd, Peter Trapolin

Commissioners arriving after beginning of the meeting:

Commissioners absent: Seamus McGuire, Bradley Becnel

I. Minutes of the January 3, 2024, meeting.

Motion: Approve the minutes.

By: Adrienne Dixson

Second: Peter Trapolin

Result: Passed

In Favor: Darrell Dumestre, Adrienne Dixson, Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd, Peter Trapolin

Opposed:

Comments:

II. Consent Agenda

Motion: Approve the Consent Agenda.

By: Peter Trapolin

Second: Matt Norton

Result: Passed

In Favor: Darrell Dumestre, Adrienne Dixson, Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd, Peter Trapolin

Opposed:

Comments:

III. New Business Work Applications

A. 317 Baronne St

Application: Installation of a retractable awning system installed at the rooftop pool area at a Landmark, eight-story, commercial building.

Motion: Deny

By: Adrienne Dixson

Second:

Result: Failed due to lack of Second

In Favor:

Opposed:

Comments:

Motion: Approve

By: Matt Norton

Second: Darrell Dumestre

Result: Failed

In Favor: Darrell Dumestre, Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd

Opposed: Adrienne Dixson, Peter Trapolin

Comments:

IV. New Business Retention Applications

B. 333 Saint Joseph St

Application: Retention of installation of inappropriate permanent roll-down storm shutters at penthouse window openings of a Contributing rated three-story, mixed-use building in deviation of a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Motion: Deny the retention of the roll-up storm shutters as they are highly visible and obtrusive from the surrounding streets, do not meet the HDLC Guidelines, may set a bad precedent, and because there are other less obtrusive methods available to accomplish the desired storm protection.

By: Matt Norton

Second: Adrienne Dixson

Result: Failed

In Favor: Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd, Adrienne Dixson, Peter Trapolin

Opposed: Darrell Dumestre

Comments: Motion failed due to lack of majority, resulting in a no action vote, which is considered a defacto denial.

V. RATIFICATION of Architectural Committee and Staff actions since the Wednesday, January 3, 2024, meeting.

Motion: Approve ratification of the Staff and ARC actions.

By: Peter Trapolin

Second: Adrienne Dixson

Result: Passed

In Favor: Darrell Dumestre, Adrienne Dixson, Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd, Peter Trapolin

Opposed:

Comments:

VI. HDLC REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

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

Motion: Adjourn the meeting.

By: Adrienne Dixson

Second: Tim Spratt

Result: Passed

In Favor: Darrell Dumestre, Adrienne Dixson, Tim Spratt, Matt Norton, John Boyd, Peter Trapolin

Opposed:

Comments: