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CITY OF FORT PIERCE
**HISTORIC PRESERVATION
BOARD**

Minutes

OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE FORT PIERCE HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017, IN FORT PIERCE CITY HALL, COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH US HIGHWAY 1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: **Peggy Smith; Jared Osteen; Michael Broderick; Charlie Hayek; Suzanne Boardman; Patrick Small; Holly Theuns; Paul Sampson, Chairman**

Absent: **Marlene Sherwin**

Staff Present: Iola Mosley, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Kori Benton, Senior Planner
Maria Lewicka, Historic Preservation Planner

4. **CERTIFICATION OF ALTERNATE MEMBER VOTING STATUS/EXCUSE NON VOTING ALTERNATE**

All regular members were present.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Minutes from the August 28, 2017 meeting

Motion was made by Peggy Smith, and seconded by Charlie Hayek to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2017 meeting.

AYE: Jared Osteen, Michael Broderick, Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Holly Theuns, Peggy Smith, Chairman Paul Sampson

Passed

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

a. **Certificate of Appropriateness 17-57 - Fence - 806 Citrus Avenue**

Ms. Lewicka gave an overview of the Certificate of Appropriateness.

Mr. Hayek asked why the request is being denied. Mr. Hayek stated it is a great looking fence for the particular lot. Mr. Hayek went on to say the large lot has lots of trees and lends itself to a ranch style fence, the property is not historic and it is a non-contributing structure.

Ms. Lewicka stated she denied the request based on there no fences like that in the neighborhood, the board recommended picket fences for the historic neighborhoods and the type of fence doesn't belong in a residential neighborhood.

Suzanne Wisoker, Owner, stated she is not a fan of picket fences and the picket fence will obstruct the views from traffic and will be very costly due to the large size of the property. She said her house has no historical significance.

Mr. Broderick commented that this property is unusual based on the size and is not the normal city lot scenario.

Motion was made by Charlie Hayek, and seconded by Peggy Smith to approve the installation of a 4 foot tall white rail fence.

AYE: Michael Broderick, Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Holly Theuns, Peggy Smith, Jared Osteen, Chairman Paul Sampson

Passed

b. **Certificate of Appropriateness 17-59 - Roof - 107 Fisherman's Wharf**

Ms. Lewicka gave an overview of the Certificate of Appropriateness. No one spoke for or against the application.

Motion was made by Michael Broderick, and seconded by Charlie Hayek to approve COA 17-59 for a 5V Crimp metal roof replacement at 107 Fisherman's Wharf.

AYE: Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Holly Theuns, Peggy Smith, Jared Osteen, Michael Broderick, Chairman Paul Sampson

Passed

c. **Certificate of Appropriateness 17-62 - Roof - 704 Beach Court**

Ms. Lewicka gave an overview of the Certificate of Appropriateness.

John Buss, Applicant, provided additional information on the roof, showed pictures of the current roof and answered questions from the Board on reusing the shingles and price difference on 5V Crimp metal roof. Mr. Buss stated there are two shingle roofs next door and the owner is concerned with the leaf buildup destroying the new roof. .

Michael McLeod and Cathy Wassylenko spoke against the asphalt shingle roof. They both stated the historic character of the house will be changed if the roof is removed. Mr. McLeod said the roof is repairable and the metal shingles can be bought.

Mr. Hayek asked the contractor how much of the decking needs to be replaced and how easy it is to remove the metal shingles and preserve them. Mr. Buss stated he will not know how much decking needs to be replaced until he opens up the roof but he thinks about 30 - 40 % needs

to be replaced. Mr. Buss said the roof has been silicone coated so many times there is rust under the coating.

Motion was made by Charlie Hayek, and seconded by Holly Theuns to deny COA 17-62 for the request of asphalt shingles for the property located at 704 Beach Court.

AYE: Holly Theuns, Peggy Smith, Jared Osteen, Michael Broderick, Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Chairman Paul Sampson

Passed

d. **Certificate of Appropriateness 17-64 - Fence - 714 Georgia Avenue**

Ms. Lewicka gave an overview of Certificate of Appropriateness 17-64 and answered questions from the Board regarding the block post height and the block wall.

Oscar Hurtado, Owner, provided additional information on the block wall and fence design and answered questions from the Board. Mr. Hurtado explained they do not like the picket fence and a 4 foot tall aluminum fence will add to the property. Mr. Hurtado stated the properties around them have 6 foot wood panel fences in the backyard.

Cathy Wassylenko spoke against the fence.

Mr. Hayek asked Ms. Theuns if she would approve the fence if it was white. Ms. Boardman stated the same type of fence surrounds the Backus Gallery, which was built in 1895 - 1900's, so the Board has approved this type of fence before. Mr. Broderick stated the fence does not meet building code.

Ms. Lewicka stated the fence can only be 4 feet high and that can be added to the recommendation and if the fence is more than 4 feet it is going to be denied by the Planning department.

Mr. Hayek agreed with Ms. Boardman that the Backus house has a similar fence which is very becoming and a precedence has been set.

Mr. Broderick asked if the fence around the Backus house is more of a commercially oriented area of the city.

Mr. Hayek stated there is a residence on Boston Avenue that has a similar fence. He said the precedence is there and it not an unattractive fence. Mr. Hayek stated he would have voted against a aluminum rail fence but he feels having the columns is a big difference in the look of the fence.

Mr. Broderick asked if this type of application in a residential district has historically been approved before? Mr. Hayek and Chairman Sampson said they do not recall this type of fence coming before the Board.

Mr. Benton stated for clarification that the fence being referenced is occupied by Mainstreet Fort Pierce and the Edgartown Settlement District does have a variety of mixed uses within it, that include commercial applications. Mr. Benton went on to say that in this case, he is not certain whether it is a aluminum fence, a wrought iron fence or a reproduction of a wrought iron fence in an aluminum form. Mr. Benton stated the fence line is 3 feet 6 inches with the architectural features reaching 4 feet and the columns slightly exceeding 4 feet. Mr. Benton clarified that 4 foot tall fences are allowed in the front yard or the first 25 feet of the property and then up to 6 foot fences are allowed in the side and rear yards of a corner lot. He

said, in this case, architectural features can extend up to 20% above the fence line if they are very minor in nature.

Board discussion ensued.

Motion was made by Holly Theuns, and seconded by Michael Broderick to deny the request for COA 17-63 for installation of a bronze aluminum fence with the cement block columns located at 714 Georgia Avenue.

AYE: Michael Broderick, Holly Theuns

NAY: Peggy Smith, Jared Osteen, Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Chairman Paul Sampson

Failed

Motion was made by Charlie Hayek, and seconded by Peggy Smith to allow the aluminum fence as proposed with the 16 x 16 block columns as support posts with dimensional caps.

AYE: Suzanne Boardman, Charlie Hayek, Jared Osteen, Peggy Smith, Chairman Paul Sampson

NAY: Holly Theuns, Michael Broderick

Passed

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Certificates of Appropriateness Administratively Approved - August 2017

8. CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES FOR AUGUST 28TH MEETING

Motion was made by Michael Broderick, and seconded by Charlie Hayek to excuse the absences of Ms. Sherwin, Ms. Harris, Mr. Small, Mr. Osteen and Ms. Boardman.

AYE: Peggy Smith, Jared Osteen, Michael Broderick, Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Holly Theuns, Chairman Paul Sampson

Passed

9. CONSIDERATION OF ABSENCES FOR SEPTEMBER 25TH MEETING

Motion was made by Michael Broderick, and seconded by Holly Theuns to approve the absence of Ms. Sherwin.

AYE: Peggy Smith, Jared Osteen, Michael Broderick, Charlie Hayek, Suzanne Boardman, Holly Theuns, Chairman Paul Sampson

Passed

10. ADJOURNMENT

Before adjournment Ms. Mosley asked the Board if they prefer Public Records and Ethics for Boards and Commissions one on one training or a group training workshop.

Ms. Lewicka gave the Board a short overview and example of the changes made to the Secretary of the Interior Standards. She asked the Board to provide input at the next meeting.

Ms. Lewicka stated a date has not been set to discuss the roofs, shutters and windows. Chairman Sampson suggested discussion can take place after the next meeting.