



**CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG
COMMUNITY PLANNING & PRESERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING**

**Council Chambers, City Hall
175 – 5th Street North
St. Petersburg, Florida 33701**

**May 11, 2021
Tuesday
2:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present: C. Copley Gerdes, Chair
Sharon Winters, Vice Chair
Jeff Rogo
Christopher “Chris” A. Burke, Alternate
Lisa Wannemacher, Alternate

Commissioners Absent: Keisha A. Bell
Jeffery “Jeff” M. Wolf
Thomas “Tom” Whiteman
Will Michaels, Alternate

Staff Present: Derek Kilborn, Manager, Urban Planning & Historic Preservation
Laura Duvekot, Historic Preservationist II
Kelly Perkins, Historic Preservationist II
Heather Judd, Assistant City Attorney
Michael Dema, Assistant City Attorney
Katherine Connell, Admin. Asst., Planning & Development

Services

The public hearing was called to order at 2:00 p.m., a quorum was present.

I. OPENING REMARKS OF CHAIR

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. MINUTES

The minutes from the March 9, 2021 meeting were approved unanimously.

VI. QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING

A. City File 21-90300001

Contact Person: Laura Duvekot, 892-5451

Request: Designation of the Jordan Park Administration Building as a Local Historic Landmark of the St. Petersburg Register of Historic Places.

Staff Presentation

Laura Duvekot gave a PowerPoint presentation based on the Staff Report.

Applicant Presentation

None.

Registered Opponent

None.

Public Hearing

None.

Cross Examination:

Waived

Rebuttal/Closing Remarks

Waived

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Executive Session

Commissioner Rogo: Mr. Chairman, a question for Ms. Duvekot please. I am curious as to if anyone from the management or the board from the museum has given any comments or feedback to this application? I respect that the City is the owner but the current but the tenant, if you will, is the museum.

Laura Duvekot: Yes, they were provided with a copy of the Staff Report, I do not believe we received any comments.

Derek Kilborn: That is correct, we provided information to several community stakeholders, including the Dr. Carter G. Woodson African American History Museum staff and representatives.

I advised them of this particular meeting date and also City Council. Typically for these types of applications, they will provide comments for, or present at, the City Council.

Commissioner Rogo: Thank you.

Commissioner Gerdes: Any other questions or comments? I have a quick question, is the St. Petersburg PAL, Police Athletic League, still involved at all in Jordan Park?

Derek Kilborn: I do not know.

Commissioner Gerdes: Okay, I thought that they still ran a summer camp there. I was just curious whether it impacted them at all.

Laura Duvekot: The designation would create the certificate of appropriateness, for exterior alterations, it would not affect use, I am not sure if that helps.

Commissioner Gerdes: Okay, thank you, perfect.

Motion: ***Commissioner Rogo made a motion approving the Designation of the Jordan Park Administration Building as a Local Historic Landmark of the St. Petersburg Register of Historic Places., subject to Staff conditions.***

Commissioner Wannemacher Second.

VOTE: YES - 5 - Gerdes, Burke, Rogo, Winters, Wannemacher
NO – 0

Motion passed unanimously.

B. City File 21-90200029

Contact Person: Laura Duvekot, 892-5451

Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the alteration of a detached garage at 809 Prospect Ct. S., a contributing resource to a local historic district

Staff Presentation:

Laura Duvekot gave a PowerPoint presentation based on the Staff Report

Applicant/Owner Presentation

Stephanie Smart, homeowner: Addressed the commission, regarding staff recommendation number 4: French doors will feature contoured, external muntins. We have French doors on the front of our house, two of them that have those and then we had back doors replaced, with a permit, that do not have them, and I brought pictures of them. The double French doors that you see, do

not have the muntins and those were replaced about 3 years ago. Neither Ms. Duvekot or I know how or why they were approved without muntins. That weird rectangular area to the right is where the new ones will soon be in this garage. Seems to me esthetically, that they should closer match the other ones, but I am not going to raise Cain over it if they have to have muntins. It just seems like it would make more sense if they matched. Ms. Smart was available for questions.

Registered Opponent

None.

Public Hearing

None.

Cross Examination:

Waived

Rebuttal/Closing Remarks

Waived

Executive Session

A discussion regarding the muntin pattern on the doors, the need for external muntins to match the front doors and possibly adding exterior muntins to the other doors in the future. The importance of doing things correctly and having the muntins in the new doors and the importance of the historical look of the French doors with muntins. Ms. Smart confirmed the house was a contributing property when the doors without muntins were installed with a permit. The process of obtaining a Certificate of Appropriateness when an applicant applies for a permit on a contributing property. The minimal cost of adding muntins and making sure the process continues to work correctly, a motion was made:

MOTION: Commissioner Winters made a motion approving Certificate of Appropriateness for the alteration of a detached garage at 809 Prospect Ct. S., a contributing resource to a local historic district subject to Staff conditions.

Commissioner Wannemacher seconded

***VOTE: YES – 5 –Gerdes, Burke, Rogo, Winters, Wannemacher
NO – 0***

Motion passed unanimously.

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City File 21-90200030

Contact Person: Kelly Perkins, 892-5470

Request: Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the demolition of a side porch and construction of a residential addition at 2750 Dartmouth Ave N, a contributing property to a local historic district.

Staff Presentation

Kelly Perkins gave a PowerPoint presentation based on the Staff Report.

Applicant Presentation

Debra Wright spoke in support of the project and her love of the district. She was available for questions.

Registered Opponent

None.

Public Hearing

None.

Cross Examination:

Waived

Rebuttal/Closing Remarks

Waived

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Executive Session

A discussion regarding the elevation of the rear and the visibility of the sliding doors without having muntins. The project is a new build, and the doors are in the interior of the building and the lack of visibility from the street. The project being a significant improvement and the well-designed roofline really helping the style of the home a motion was made:

Motion: *Commissioner Winters made a motion approving the Certificate of Appropriateness for the demolition of a side porch and construction of a residential addition at 2750 Dartmouth Ave N., subject to Staff conditions.*

Commissioner Rogo Second.

VOTE: YES – 5 –Gerdes, Burke, Rogo, Winters, Wannemacher

NO – 0

Motion passed unanimously.

D. City File 21-90200032

Contact Person: Kelly Perkins, 892-5470

Request: Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the alteration of a front porch and new front door at 2754 4th Ave N, a contributing property to a local historic district

Staff Presentation:

Kelly Perkins gave a PowerPoint presentation based on the Staff Report

Applicant/Owner Presentation

Melissa Overton, 2754 4th Ave N, spoke in support of the project and was available for questions.

Registered Opponent

None.

Public Hearing

None.

Cross Examination:

Waived

Rebuttal/Closing Remarks

Kelly Perkins: There has been a recent trend when a person goes to a big store to purchase a “craftsman style door”, they sell you doors with the faux beveled glass so you will find them all over. However, they are not traditional features, the more recent trend amongst people owning Craftsman houses it is not traditional to St. Pete.

Commissioner Gerdes: This is a relatively new district; those doors could have been put in prior to.

Kelly Perkins: Yes

Commissioner Gerdes: They would not have needed a COA.

Kelly Perkins: No, not at that time. The application was complete in January of last year that is when we started sending some of the door projects to the commission. We are still working to have those door replacements be at the staff level, but we are encouraging people to use the glass

forms instead of the faux lead beveled glass unless they have documentation that the house had it.

Waived by Applicant.

Executive Session

Discussion regarding the railing and additional decorative features any recommendations on what to use for the railings instead of clear glass and the location the home is in. The possibility of using frosted glass, although not traditional, it is more reversible and less visibly obtrusive, or installing curtains, which are traditional a motion was made:

MOTION: *Commissioner Wannemacher made a motion approving the Certificate of Appropriateness for the alteration of a front porch and new front door at 2754 4th Ave N, subject to Staff conditions.*

Commissioner Winters seconded

VOTE: *YES – 5 –Gerdes, Burke, Rogo, Winters, Wannemacher*
 NO – 0

Motion passed unanimously.

E. City File 21-90200053

Contact Person: Laura Duvekot, 892-5451

Request: Review of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a front and street-side yard fence at a contributing property in a local historic district.

Staff Presentation:

Laura Duvekot gave a PowerPoint presentation based on the Staff Report.

Applicant/Owner Presentation

The property owners were not available to attend but submitted a statement included in the Staff Report.

Registered Opponent

None.

Public Hearing

None.

Cross Examination:

Waived.

Rebuttal/Closing Remarks

Waived.

Executive Session

Discussion regarding requirements for the fence, specifically texture. The possibility of picket style having textures and the openness of a picket style fence and the shine of some vinyl fences. The cost differential between vinyl and wood and providing options to applicants, and adding language to include a matte finish a motion was made:

MOTION: Commissioner Burke made a motion approving the Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a front and street-side yard fence. subject to Staff conditions and the finish on the fence either be vinyl with a matte finish or wood instead of vinyl.

Commissioner Wannemacher seconded

***VOTE: YES – 5 –Gerdes, Burke, Rogo, Winters, Wannemacher
NO – 0***

Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. ADJOURN

Commissioner Rogo made a motion to adjourn.
Commissioner Burke seconded.

With no further items to come before the Commission, the public hearing was adjourned at 3:10 pm