

PONTIAC HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2016
6:00PM - REGULAR MEETING
LION'S DEN - CITY HALL
47450 WOODWARD AVE.
PONTIAC, MICHIGAN 48342

Call To Order: 6:14 PM

Commissioners:

Mr. Rick David
Mr. Robert Karazim
Ms. Kathalee James
Ms. Kathie Henk
Ms. Linda Porter
Ms. Tameka Ramsey

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY VICE-CHAIRMAN ROBERT KARAZIM, ROLL CALL, DEREK DOWELL

MR. DOWELL: JAMES?

MS. JAMES: HERE

MR.DOWELL: BURCH?

MR. BURCH: HERE

MR. DOWELL: KARAZIM?

MR. KARAZIM: HERE

MR. DOWELL: DAVID?

MR. DAVID:

MR. DOWELL: HENK?

MS. HENK.

MR. DOWELL: PORTER?

MS. PORTER: HERE

MR DOWELL: RAMSEY?

MS. RAMSEY:

EXCUSED: 1

LATE: 0

PRESENT: 4

ALSO PRESENT: DEPUTY MAYOR, JANE BAIS-DISESSA

MEETING WAS OPENED BY COMMISSION VICE-CHAIRMAN ROBERT KARAZIM.

OPENING PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: THE COMMISSION HAS 2 SETS OF MINUTES OUTSTANDING FOR THE APRIL AND MAY MEETINGS. THERE WERE NO MEETING MINUTES AVAILABLE TO REVIEW. VICE CAIRMAN ROBERT KARAZIM MOTIONED TO TABLE THE MINUTES UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. COMMISSIONER BURCH SUPPORTED.

VOTE: AYES: 3 BURCH, JAMES, KARAZIM, PORTER
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO TABLE MINUTES UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING WAS APPROVED

REQUESTS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

HDC-16-06 – 140 CHIPPEWA ROAD – SIMINOLE HILLS HISTORIC DISTRICT
APPLICANT – Southwest Housing Solutions Corp.
Richard Fredrick
David Bonqero

THE APPLICANT IS SEEKING TO REPLACE TWENTY EXTERIOR WINDOWS WITH QUALITY VINYL TYPE WINDOWS. THE APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVES SAID THE CURRENT WINDOWS ARE WOOD ROTTED, SUCH THAT THEY CANNOT BE REPAIRED AND MUST BE REPLACED.

PLANNER RECOMMENDATION: TO **CONSIDER** THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS (HDC-16-06), 140 CHIPPEWA ROAD AS IT MAY NOT APPEAR TO MEET THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR STANDARDS FOR REHABILITATION; SPECIFICALLY STANDARDS #3 AND #6.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BURCH TO DENY THE APPLICANTS APPLICATION TO REPLACE THE EXISTING WOOD CLAD WINDOWS WITH VINYL. THE APPLICANT SHOULD REPLACE FRONT WINDOWS WITH WOOD OR ALUM CLAD WINDOWS. NO OBJECTIONS TO VINYL WINDOWS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE HOUSE. COMMISSIONER JAMES SUPPORTED. THE CONTRACTOR SAID HE WOULD MAKE SURE THE WINDOWS ORDERED HAD THE COLONIAL GRIDS IN THE UPPER HALF OF THE WINDOWS AS SHOWN.

VOTE: AYES: 3 BURCH, JAMES, AND KARAZIM, PORTER
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

DISPOSITION: THE MOTION BY COMMISSSIONER BURCH TO DENY THE APPLICATION AS PRESENTED FOR 140 CHIPPAWA ROAD, **(HDC 16-06) AS IT DOES NOT MEET THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR STANDARDS, NUMBERS #3 AND #6.** THE APPLICANT IS FURTHER DIRECTED TO REPLACE THE FRONT WINDOWS WITH WOOD OR ALUM CLAD WINDOWS; AND THAT THE REMAINDER OF THE WINDOWS CAN BE REPLACED WITH VINYL WINDOWS AS PROPOSED WITHOUT SUBMITTING A NEW APPLICATION TO THE COMMISSION, WAS APPROVED

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

DEMOLITION LIST REVIEW FOR HISTORIC PROPERTY / REQUEST FROM DEPUTY MAYOR JANE BAIS –DISESSA FOR DEMOLITION APPROVAL, STATUS REPORT

DEPUTY MAYOR DISESSA GAVE A DEMOLITION LIST REVIEW FOR HISTORIC PROPERTIES AND ASKED FOR DEMOLITION APPROVAL FOR THE 5 HIGHLIGHTED ADDRESSES AS FOLLOWS;

725 N PERRY STREET

704 NORTH PERRY STREET

709 NORTH PERRY STREET

27 FAIRGROVE

205 CHIPPEWA

COMMISSIONER JAMES STATED THAT SHE THOUGHT WE HAD ALREADY RESOLVED THE ISSUE ON WHICH OF THE FIVE, WE WERE WILLING TO RELEASE.

COMMISSIONER AND VICE CHAIRMAN ROBERT KARAZIM SAID HE WAS MORE THAN WILLING GO OUT AGAIN AND TAKE A SECOND LOOK AT THE PROPERTIES AND THAT THESE PROPERTIES ALL HAD INTERESTED PARTIES READY TO TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF RESTORATION BUT ARE NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE CASH BOND REQUIREMENT.

DEPUTY MAYOR DISESSA SAID THERE HAVE BEEN SOME RECENT CHANGES IN THE BOND ORDINANCE. CITIZENS WHO HAVE LIVE IN THE CITY FOR 5 OR MORE YEARS AND WHO PLAN TO LIVE IN THE RESIDENCE CAN BE EXEMPT. MR BURCH SAID THAT THE BOND SHOULD LOOK AT EACH HISTORIC DISTRICT DIFFERENCTLY BECAUSE THEY HAVE DIFFERENT ECONOMIC FOOTPRINTS.

COMMISSIONER JAMES SAID THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION SHOULD GET INVLOVED IN THE PROCESS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WOULD MAKE THE PROCESS FAIRER FOR ALL.

COMMISSIONER KARAZIM AND DEPUTY MAYOR DISESSA SAID THEY WOULD MEET ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 22, AT CITY HALL TO VISIT THE FIVE PROPERTIES AND BRING BACK A RECOMMENDATION. COMMISSIONER JAMES SAID SHE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ATTEND.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:10 PM