



City of Oregon City

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Meeting Minutes Historic Review Board

Monday, July 28, 2020

6:00 PM

Commission Chambers

1. Convene Regular Meeting and Roll Call

Vice Chair Baysinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: 3 - Board Member Ken Baysinger, Board Member Grant Blythe, and Board Member Ray Stobie

Absent: 1 - Board Member Claire Met

Staffers: 2 - Community Development Director Laura Terway and Planner Kelly Reid

2. Public Comment — None

4. Design Advice for New Construction in Canemah at 616 4th Avenue

Levy Moroshan, applicant, was planning to put in four homes and this would be the first of the four. Before finalizing the plans, he wanted to get some feedback from the Board about the proposed design.

There was discussion regarding the setbacks.

Kelly Reid, Planner, explained the subject site, site plan, elevations, and comparison to the approved home at 708 4th.

There was further discussion regarding the elevations, similarity to the home at 708 4th, design of the other three homes proposed for the site, proposed attached garage, possible improvements to Apperson Street, and topography of the site.

There was consensus that it was acceptable for this house to be similar to the 708 4th house but the applicant should add a few elements to differentiate it, a detached garage was preferred and would meet the standards, and a window in the garage on the Apperson Street side was suggested.

3. Work Session on Thresholds for HRB Review of Non-Contributing Structures

Ms. Reid gave the presentation. She explained the difference between historic district and conservation district, current review threshold, examples, levels of review, review thresholds in other jurisdictions, major public improvements, questions for the Board, and next steps.

There was consensus that clarifications should be made to the current review threshold, that staff should look further at what other jurisdictions did such as Aurora and Corvallis, exclusions for things that did not need to come to the Board should be added, and the issuance of revocable right-of-way permits should be reviewed.

5. HRB Minutes

A motion was made by Board Member Blythe, seconded by Board Member Stobie, to approve the April 23, May 28, and June 25, 2019 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Vice Chair Baysinger, Board Member Stobie, and Board Member Blythe

6. Communications

Ms. Reid said Chair McLoughlin's term ended last month and at the next meeting they would vote for a new chair. Staff had been advertising the vacancy, but there had been no applicants. They did have applicants from last year and she would reach out to them to see if they were interested. The National Alliance of Preservation Commission Forum would be held virtually next month and the grant the City received would pay for any Board member who wanted to attend.

7. Adjournment

Vice Chair Baysinger adjourned the meeting at 7:17 PM.