



KIRKWOOD LANDMARKS COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Kirkwood City Hall, Main Level Conference Room

Present: Commissioners Catherine Enslin, Mike Lewis, Andrew Raimist, Robert Rubright, Walter Smith, Judy Ward, Mayor Arthur McDonnel, Councilmember Biedenstein, Deputy Building Commissioner Robert Coady and Staff Liaison Amy Lowry

Guests: Mike Basile, Rob Busch and Jim Woodruff

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

1. **Approval of Minutes** - Motion to approve the November 13, 2013 Landmarks Commission Minutes, December 16, 2013 and February 18, 2014 Joint Architectural Review Board/Landmarks Commission Minutes as is by Comr. Ward, seconded by Comr. Smith, and unanimously approved.
2. **Citizen Comments** - none.
3. **Certificate of Appropriateness**
 - a. **Case #14-03, 445 North Taylor Ave** (Contributing Resource in North Taylor Historic District) – Mike Basile with Basile Landscaping presented the plans for a 20'x10' pergola with 4 columns, wood burning fireplace and seating wall which would be adjacent to an existing pool. Comr. Rubright made a motion to approve the plans as submitted. Comr. Smith seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
 - b. **Case #13-08, 326 East Argonne Drive** (Jefferson-Argonne Historic District) – Jim Woodruff of Hibbs Homes presented a change to the front and left side elevations to exclude stone applied to the concrete foundation due to cost and labor issues. The Commission discussed the finishing of the piers with PVC or Hardie board, setback of the lattice and painting of the concrete. Comr. Raimist made a motion that the cultured stone may be removed from the plans for the piers and walls on front and side elevations with the stipulation that the piers will be wrapped in Hardie board or PVC, painted to match the house; the foundation wall that is exposed may be left bare concrete or painted at the owner's preference; and the lattice work will be recessed behind the posts at least 2 inches. Comr. Ward seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

4. **Old Business**

- a. **Design Guidelines for Kirkwood Landmarks & Historic Districts** – in progress

- b. **Update on Potential Historic Districts** – Proposed design guidelines were discussed for the Barrett Brae neighborhood. Ms. Lowry will give comments to the neighborhood. The West Argonne group hopes to make progress this summer.

5. **New Business**

- a. **Favorite Building Awards** – The Commission and the ARB will review the nominations on Saturday, April 19.
- b. **Bylaws/Rules of Procedure** - The Commission discussed the definition of new construction as it applies to an addition that will more than double the square footage of a building. The Commission agreed that Ms. Lowry will consult with the City Attorney regarding bylaws or a change in the ordinance for this situation.
- c. **Nipher Preliminary National Register Eligibility Assessment** – Ms. Lowry reported on a meeting she had with Jim Wall and Tricia Horton of the Kirkwood School District facilities department. Ms. Lowry will add to the Nipher assessment and submit to the State Historic Preservation Office.
- d. **Citizens seeking advice** to preserve their historic properties - none.

6. **Adjourn** - Motion to adjourn at 8:01 p.m. made by Comr. Raimist, seconded by Comr. Enslin and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Lowry, Landmarks Liaison