



KIRKWOOD LANDMARKS COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Kirkwood City Hall, Main Level Conference Room

Present: Commissioners Lynn Andel, Judith Brauer, Ryan Molen, Robert Rubright, Walter Smith, and Staff Liaison Amy Lowry

Guests: Ben Ellerman of Blaes Architecture; Donna Boxx, Architect; Mark and Diane Gorris of 305 N. Harrison; Leonard Adewunmi of 402 E. Jefferson

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

1. **Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve the March 8, 2017 meeting minutes as submitted by Comr. Rubright, seconded by Comr. Brauer and unanimously approved.
2. **Certificates of Appropriateness**
 - a. **Case #16-13 Amended, 434 N. Harrison Avenue** (Landmark #19, Robinson-Kraft House) – Minor changes to previously approved addition plans. Ben Ellerman presented modified plans for the garage in which the existing grade on the Harrison side (west elevation) would be raised up one foot, causing the garage to wall to be 1'3" further out of the ground. More stone will be added to the face of the garage foundation wall, the door will be replaced with a window and the windows will line up with the main house. After discussion, Comr. Andel made a motion to approve Case No. 16-13 Amended at 434 N. Harrison Avenue as per the plans submitted. Comr. Rubright seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
 - b. **Case #17-03 Amended, 211 E. Jefferson Avenue** (Jefferson-Argonne Historic District) – Changes to previously approved new detached garage. The garage now has horizontal siding instead of vertical siding and two windows in the east elevation. Comr. Molen made a motion to approve Case No. 17-03 Amended at 212 E. Jefferson Avenue as per the plans submitted. Comr. Brauer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
 - c. **Case #17-04, 402 E. Jefferson Avenue** (Jefferson-Argonne Historic District) – New detached garage. Leonard Adewunmi presented the plans for the garage and stated that the ARB had required one window to be added to the garage in any of the elevations, but the plans have not been revised to reflect that. Comr. Brauer made a motion to approve Case No. 17-04 Amended at 212 E. Jefferson Avenue as per the plans submitted and with the addition of a window to one of the elevations to be reviewed by Ms. Lowry. Comr. Andel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
 - d. **Case #17-05, 305 N. Harrison Avenue** (Landmark #18, Swan Cottage) – Addition, including basement garage. Donna Boxx presented plans for the 1773 square foot addition to the original house of 1525 square feet. All materials and colors will match the existing house and the existing roof will be repaired. Comr. Molen questioned

whether the back of the house could be modified so that it was not a flat wall and what material would be used on the retaining wall. The Commissioners suggested cantilevering a section of the master bedroom wall. Ms. Boxx said that she would work up some alternatives. Comr. Andel made a motion to continue the review of the plans until the next Landmarks meeting for the architect to make possible modifications. Comr. Brauer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2. **New Business**

- a. **Citizens Comments/Seeking advice** to preserve their historic properties – none.

3. **Old Business**

- a. **Favorite Building Awards** – May 10 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. The Commission discussed adding Club Taco to the list of winners.
- b. **House Demolitions/Relocations** – 631 East Jefferson Avenue and 222 East Argonne Drive. Ms. Lowry reported that there may be an interested buyer for the property.

4. **Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. made by Comr. Rubright, seconded by Comr. Brauer and unanimously approved.