

Historical Downtown Advisory Commission
Tom Coffey, Chairman
Larry Coolidge, Vice Chairman
Steve Reynolds, Architectural Advisor
Brad Coomes Deb Howell Erin Wesson

MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Commissioner Coolidge called a meeting of the Historic Downtown Advisory Commission to order on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 6:31 p.m. Commissioners present included Brad Coomes, Deb Howell, Larry Coolidge and Steve Reynolds, Architectural Advisor. Tom Coffey and Erin Wesson were absent. Also, present were Claudia Husak, Planning Director; and Elise Schellin, Development Planner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Commissioner Coomes moved to approve the minutes of June 17, 2021. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion. By unanimous consent of the remaining Commission members present, the minutes approved as written.

VOTE: Y - 3 N - 0 (Coffey and Wesson Absent)

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS (Case 2021-24 CA)

Applicant:

Victoria Damiani Davis DBA SoHo Luxury Exchange

Location:

32 E. Olentanav St.

Existing Zoning:

(DB) Downtown Business District

Request:

Review and approval of exterior building and property improvements.

<u>Elise Schellin, Development Planner</u>: Reviewed the Staff Report. Staff recommends approval of exterior building and property improvements with the conditions as outlined in the Staff Report. (Exhibit 1)

<u>Commissioner Howell</u>: Is the applicant expanding the paver walk to the east? Is she replacing all of the pavers or just adding to what is there?

Ms. Schellin: She is replacing the pavers and adding pavers to the east.

Commissioner Howell: Do we know the color of the door? Is it the black currently on the door?

Ms. Schellin: I cannot speak for the applicant, since she is not here tonight.

Commissioner Howell: It would be nice to have a pop of color with the building being grey and the trim black.

<u>Commissioner Coolidge</u>: The applicant is not here, do we have any public comment. Hearing none, we will hear from the rest of the Commission.

Commissioner Coomes: It looks good. I think it will be a drastic improvement for this property.

Commissioner Coolidge: Mr. Reynolds do you have any comment.

Steve Reynolds: I do not.

<u>Commissioner Coolidge</u>: It is a simple request, less than the applicant's original request, but these are good solutions. I have no comments. We will entertain a motion to approve.

MOTION: Commissioner Howell moved to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for SoHo Luxury Exchange as represented by Victoria Damiani Davis. Commissioner Coomes seconded the motion. By unanimous consent of the remaining members

VOTE: Y-3

N-0 (Coffey and Wesson Absent)

STAFF ITEMS

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Historical Downtown Advisory Commission meeting is Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., however staff has not received any application submissions to date.

Commissioner Coolidge: Are there any updates on the downtown parking study?

<u>Claudia Husak, Planning Director</u>: It has been put on the backburner due to a couple of participants being out of the country, as well as the City working to fill open positions.

Commissioner Coomes: Should work at the old Church on Olentangy have come before HDAC?

<u>Commissioner Coolidge</u>: Gave a history of the property and stated the portion removed on the front was not original to the building.

Ms. Schellin: Any demolition that is under 75 square feet does not require review by HDAC.

Ms. Husak: After further review of the code, it was determined that HDAC is to be staffed with (6) members; with one non-voting member, which is the Architectural Advisor.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Coolidge moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Coolidge seconded the motion. With unanimous consent of the remaining Commission members, the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

DATE MINUTE'S APPROVED:

Tom Coffey Chairman Date

Andy White City Manager

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