

COMMISSION OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

August 28, 2014

**Members Present**

Michael Nicholas  
Sarah Latham  
Robert Weir  
Richard Morris

**Members Absent**

Robin Crews  
Susan Stilwell

**Staff**

Renee Burton  
Clarke Whitfield  
Shanta Hairston

Vice Chairman Nicholas called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

**ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

- 1. Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness filed by the Danville Redevelopment Housing Authority to stabilize and renovate the front façade at 860 Green Street*

Open the Public Hearing.

No one was present to speak.

Close the Public Hearing.

Mr. Nicholas asked staff what do you got?

Mrs. Burton said this is the same drawing you guys have seen before, I'm thinking 2010. The Housing Authority is working on the façade of this property, at this point just the façade but this is what we're working on for this property.

Mr. Nicholas stated so we approved this, it came to us on October 28 of 2010, we tabled it, it was reconsidered on December 9<sup>th</sup>, staff recommended we get it denied until we get a drawing. And at the December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting we got this drawing

Mrs. Burton stated the presentation drawing, correct.

Mr. Nicholas asked so we approved it they just didn't do it?

Mrs. Burton stated correct.

Mr. Nicholas asked so this is the same request that we already approved?

Mrs. Burton stated it is exactly the same.

Mr. Nicholas stated great. Any other questions?

Mrs. Latham stated well the applicant is the Danville Redevelopment & Housing Authority.

Mrs. Burton stated that is correct.

Mrs. Latham asked so they have purchased this property from Steve Holley?

Mrs. Burton stated they are under contract with Mr. Holley at this time.

Mrs. Latham stated ok and so now they are asking to be able to go ahead with the same plan that Mr. Holley presented a few years ago?

Mrs. Burton stated that is correct.

Mrs. Latham asked ok but the staff recommendation here is that you deny the plan filed by Steve Holley?

Mrs. Burton stated that was in 2010.

Mr. Nicholas stated before we got the actual plans.

Mr. Whitfield stated that's because he wouldn't provide information and then he provided information.

Mrs. Latham stated oh ok, right.

Mrs. Burton stated so currently staff is not making a recommendation because of our conflict or because we are working with DRHA.

Mrs. Latham and the plan then they're just doing the façade at this point?

Mrs. Burton stated right.

Mrs. Latham asked but this is a four plex as I recall?

Mrs. Burton stated historically yes it is a quad. The housing authority, if all goes well, will contract, purchase, and then try to stabilize the front façade as quickly as possible that's why we wanted to go ahead and get it in before you guys and work on cost estimates and see what actually they are into.

Mrs. Latham stated I do recall when Steve was actively working on this a number of years ago and found some beautiful woodwork and all and I think he was working on the interior since then of course the exterior is...

Mrs. Burton stated it needs some attention.

**Mr. Weir made the motion to approve the application as submitted. Mrs. Latham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote with 1 vote abstained by Mr. Morris.**

Mr. Nicholas stated alright there was an application submitted by the Danville Museum of Fine Arts requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness to complete a water proofing project at the Danville Museum of Fine Arts and History. It was submitted after the deadline therefore in order to consider it at today's meeting there has to be a motion made to add it to the agenda.

**Mrs. Latham made the motion for the application to be added to the agenda to be heard. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.**

Open the Public Hearing.

No one was present to speak.

Close the Public Hearing.

Mr. Nicholas asked staff is this the same application that we approved on June 27, 2013?

Mrs. Burton stated it is identical.

Mr. Nicholas asked no changes?

Mrs. Burton stated no changes at all.

Mr. Nicholas asked so they just didn't do it?

Mrs. Burton stated correct.

Mr. Nicholas asked and it expired so they need another approval?

Mrs. Burton stated correct. They hope to begin in two weeks so that's the difference with the time table, it would be too long for the next meeting.

Mr. Nicholas asked any questions or discussions with the board?

**Mr. Weir made the motion to approve the request as submitted. Mrs. Latham seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINTUES**

**Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the July 24, 2014 minutes. Mr. Weir seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was discussion about the appeal on the decision to deny Mr. Holbrook's request regarding vinyl windows on his Main Street property.

There was discussion about the upcoming Preservation Conference in Norfolk in October.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

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Approved