



Twin Falls Historic Preservation Commission Minutes

Monday, August 27, 2018, 12:00 PM

203 Main Ave E
Twin Falls, ID 83301

SPECIAL MEETING

Members: Nancy Taylor, Vacancy, Allen Easterling, Debbie Lattin, Lucy Wills, Samra Culum, Doug Baughman

Council Liaison: Chris Reid

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Chairperson Taylor called the meeting to order at 12:03pm.

2) Consent Calendar

- a) Approval of Minutes from the following meeting: 08-06-18

Motion:

Commissioner Easterling made a motion to approve the consent calendar, as presented.

Commissioner Baughman seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved

3) Certificate of Appropriateness

- a) Request for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 119 2nd Avenue West. c/o Robert Reed, Lytle Signs

Staff Presentation:

City Planner Cherry reviewed the request on the overhead and stated this is a request for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 119 2nd Avenue West.

The Certificate of Appropriateness process requires a public meeting in which interested persons have the opportunity to be heard, with regards to the application. The Commission shall hear the request within ten (10) days of City Staff receiving a complete application. Any conditions placed by Commission shall be specifically listed on the Certificate, and shall be completed as part of the approval. Any decision of the Commission may be appealed to the City Council.

The building on the subject property which the two (2) window signs will be installed was first built in 1912 and had undergone significant improvements in 1939 per Twin Falls County records. The building currently serves as a multi-tenant building.

This is a request to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 119 2nd Avenue West for the installation of two (2) vinyl window signs. The property is zoned Commercial Central Business (C-B) in the Downtown Historic Overlay. Any exterior modification to properties in the Downtown Historic Overlay require a Certificate of Appropriateness before a building or sign permit can be issued. Staff has determined the applicant has complied with

the "Design Guidelines for Twin Falls Downtown Historic District & Twin Falls City Park Historic District", Chapter 3.5, Signage, in regards to the proposed installation of two (2) vinyl window signs. The proposed signage would not be classified in any of the criteria that would not be appropriate for the historic district. Further, Staff has determined that the use of vinyl for the window signs meet the general intent of the signage criteria which encourages painted signs or gold-leaf directly applied to windows.

If the Commission approves this request as presented, then staff recommends the following conditions.

1. Subject to site plan amendments as required by City Code Standards.
2. Subject to the applicant applying for all required permits as required by City Code Standards.

PZ/Questions & Comments:

- Commissioner Baughman stated his only concern is the size of the sign compared to the window.
- Planning & Zoning Director Spendlove explained the design criteria is the subject for today's meeting, however if there needs to be some discussion about the sign code there can be a discussion about that at another time.

Public Hearing: Opened & Closed Without Comment

Motion:

Commissioner Culum made a motion to approve the request, as presented, and with staff recommendations. Commissioner Lattin seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

- b) Request for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness on property located at 126 2nd Avenue North. C/o Robert Reeder, Lytle Signs

Staff Presentation:

City Planner Cherry reviewed the request on the overhead and stated this is a request for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness on property located at 126 2nd Avenue North.

The Certificate of Appropriateness process requires a public meeting in which interested persons have the opportunity to be heard, with regards to the application. The Commission shall hear the request within ten (10) days of City Staff receiving a complete application. Any conditions placed by Commission shall be specifically listed on the Certificate, and shall be completed as part of the approval. Any decision of the Commission may be appealed to the City Council.

The building on the subject property which the two (2) window signs will be installed was first built in 1910 and had undergone significant improvements in 1958 per Twin Falls County records. Most recently the building has been occupied by a law firm.

This is a request to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 126 2nd Avenue North for the reface of an existing wall sign and the replacing of an existing wall sign. The property is zoned Commercial Central Business (C-B) in the Downtown Historic Overlay. Any exterior modification to properties in the Downtown Historic Overlay require a Certificate of Appropriateness before a building or sign permit can be issued.

Staff has determined the applicant has complied with the “Design Guidelines for Twin Falls Downtown Historic District & Twin Falls City Park Historic District”, Chapter 3.5, Signage, in regards to the reface of an existing wall sign and the replacing of an existing wall sign. The proposed signage is pedestrian oriented, constructed from suitable materials, and will not be illuminated.

If the Commission approves this request as presented, then staff recommends the following conditions.

1. Subject to site plan amendments as required by City Code Standards.
2. Subject to the applicant obtaining all required permits as required by City Code Standards.

PZ/Questions & Comments:

- Commissioner Baughman asked if it would be possible to add boarder to the wall sign so that it doesn't look like a piece of cardboard mounted to the wall.

Public Hearing: Opened & Closed Without Comments

Motion:

Commissioner Baughman made a motion to approve the request with an amended condition, stating approval is subject to the applicant adding a boarder to the wall sign and with staff recommendations. Commissioner Easterling seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

4) Old Business

- a) Discussion about display photos

Commissioner Culum presented some images that she would like to discuss displaying in the City Hall lobby. She plans to finish up her research and present an update at the next meeting.

Discussion Followed:

Commissioner Easterling stated he thinks displaying these photos at harvest time is a great idea.

Commission Taylor stated the photos help to remind everyone how this community originated.

5) New Business

6) General Input/Announcements - Public/Staff

- Commissioner Taylor asked for more input on the HPC Agenda and asked if there has been any

resolution to filling the vacancy on the Commission.

- Planning & Zoning Director Spendlove explained that Administration and the Mayor are aware of the vacancy and they have been attempting to finding someone in the community that owns property within one of the districts, that would be willing to serve on the Commission. As of today, they have not had much success.
- Commissioner Taylor asked if the requirement could be changed in City Code.
- Planning & Zoning Director Spendlove explained he would look into the requirement and verify if that is something this Commission could recommend for consideration to City Council.

7) Upcoming Meeting(s)

- a) September 17, 2018

8) Adjournment

Chairman Taylor adjourned the meeting at 12:52 pm

Lisa A. Strickland, Administrative Assistant