



Twin Falls Historic Preservation Commission Minutes

Monday, May 17, 2021, 3:00 PM

203 Main Avenue East
Twin Falls, ID 83301

Council Chambers

Members: Samra Culum Chairperson, Doug Baughman Vice Chairperson, Jennifer Shaffer, Ben Woodbury, Lisa Maas, Allen Easterling

Council Liaison: Craig Hawkins

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Chairperson Culum called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm
A quorum was present.

Members Present: Culum, Baughman, Shaffer, Woodbury, Hawkins

Staff Present: Strickland, Ebersole, Hart

2) Consent Calendar

MOTION: Commissioner Woodbury moved to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented.
Commissioner Shaffer seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

- a) Approval of Minutes from the following meeting: April 19, 2021

3) Certificate of Appropriateness

- a) Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for façade improvements on property located at 250 Main Avenue North c/o Sequoia Schmidt. (PZ21-0059)

Staff Presentation:

City Planner Strickland presented the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for façade improvements on property located at 250 Main Avenue North c/o Sequoia Schmidt. (PZ21-0059)

The Certificate of Appropriateness process requires a public meeting in which interested persons can be heard, with regards to the application.

The Historic Preservation Commission shall review the "design guidelines" as they exist or as amended for compliance before issuing a certificate of appropriateness.

The Commission may approve, approve with conditions, or deny the request.

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.

Per the Twin Falls Downtown Historic Guidelines the following apply: 2.1.5 General Guidelines Downtown District along with 3.5 Signage 3.6 Project Materials & Colors and 4.1 Façade Improvements. These sections have been provided in the staff report packet.

Based on these guidelines the Commission is charged with deciding as to whether the project helps to preserve the character of the district. Whether the proposed materials are durable, compatible, and appropriate.

The subject property is located within the C-B (Commercial Business) Zoning District and the Twin Falls Downtown Historic District. The applicant has received a Certificate of Appropriateness to remove the existing metal from the front of the building and to replace the glass in the existing windows on the second floor. This proposal is to update the façade to its original state by sandblasting the brick that has been painted white and is peeling. The applicant would also like to replace the aged wood and stain and seal it to match the existing window frames on the second floor. The last portion of the request is to place a vinyl sign on the door to display the business name.

After the last meeting the applicant has made arrangements to schedule the removal of the metal from the front of the building. The project should take approximately 2-3 days and will greatly improve the appearance of the building bringing it back to life helping it blend in with the character of the downtown.

The Commissions can approve the request, approve with conditions, or deny the request.

Upon conclusion should the Commission approve this request staff recommends the following conditions:

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

Applicant Presentation:

Tiajah Nelson, representing applicant, presented her request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for facade improvements on property located at 250 Main Avenue N.

She explained what was behind the siding on the first and second floor. She stated there does not appear to be irreparable damage. She stated they would like to replace the siding on the first floor with wood. On the second floor, the siding will be replaced by the existing windows.

HPC Questions & Comments:

- Commissioner Woodbury asked if there is structural wood being replaced.
- City Planner Strickland stated the wood is just the frame for the aluminum siding, not structural. It is part of the facade. The applicant has stated the project should take one to two days.
- Commissioner Shaffer asked about the wood facade.

- City Planner Strickland clarified the wood replacement.
- Chairperson Culum asked preserving the wood behind the siding.
- City Planner Strickland stated the applicant may be able to explain the intent of the wood replacement.
- Commissioner Woodbury asked when the siding was put on the building.
- City Planner Strickland stated when the survey was done in 1999, the siding was already there. She was not able to find pictures taken prior to 1999.
- Chairperson Culum stated without having pictures of the before and after it is hard to picture the finished product.
- City Planner Strickland stated she clarified that with the applicant.
- Commissioner Baughman stated remembering from the first meeting, the pictures presented were good. He stated he is okay with the applicant's vision to match the first and second floor.

Discussions Followed:

Discussion ensued regarding the balance of the outdoor facade.

MOTION: Commissioner Baughman moved to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for façade improvements on property located at 250 Main Avenue North c/o Sequoia Schmidt, PZ21-0059, as presented.

Commissioner Woodbury seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

- b) Request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for signage on property located at 162 Main Avenue North c/o Linsey Higley. (PZ21-0061)

Staff Presentation:

City Planner Strickland presented the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for signage on property located at 162 Main Avenue North c/o Linsey Higley. (PZ21-0061)

The Certificate of Appropriateness process requires a public meeting in which interested persons can be heard, with regards to the application.

The historic preservation commission shall review the "design guidelines" as they exist or as amended for compliance before issuing a certificate of appropriateness.

The Commission may approve, approve with conditions, or deny the request.

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.

see National Registry Information in packet

Per the Twin Falls Downtown Historic Guidelines the following apply: 2.1 General Guidelines and 3.5 Signage. These sections have been provided in the staff report packet.

Based on these guidelines the Commission is charged with deciding as to whether the project helps to preserve the character of the district. Whether the materials are durable, compatible and appropriate.

The subject property is located within the C-B (Commercial Business) Zoning District and the Twin Falls Downtown Historic District. The project will be for a projecting sign hung above the entrance to the non-contributing building from existing hardware.

In 2019 the Historic Preservation Commission approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Unique Twist projecting sign. This will be an addition to this sign for Divine Style.

The Commissions can approve the request, approve with conditions, or deny the request. Upon conclusion should the Commission approve this request staff recommends the following conditions:

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

Applicant Presentation:

Linsey Higley, applicant, presented the request for the signage on property located at 162 Main Avenue North.

The materials will be the same as the Unique Twist Jewelry sign, using the same vendor that created that sign. She stated the sign will be made from metal with raised lettering. She clarified the sign will be placed above the Unique Twist Jewelry sign using the same bracket and placed above the other sign.

HPC Questions & Comments:

- Commissioner Woodbury asked about the ground clearance.
- City Planner Strickland stated it meets the building code requirement.
- Commissioner Woodbury asked about sign materials.
- City Planner Strickland and the applicant clarified the materials of the sign.

Discussions Followed: without concerns

MOTION: Commissioner Woodbury moved to approve the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for signage on property located at 162 Main Avenue North c/o Linsey Higley, PZ21-0061, as presented.

Commissioner Shaffer seconded the motion.

Unanimously Approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

4) Old Business

a) **CEG Grant Information**

City Planner Strickland stated the CEG grant paperwork was submitted on 5/14/21. She stated that Lytle Signs is 4-6 weeks out on installation and the installation deadline is June 22, 2021. She will send photos to the State when installed. Any corrections to the verbiage must be to Lytle Signs by Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

She stated the sign will be installed by Boyer Park for others to learn where Rock Creek is located. This idea was suggested by Wendi Davis, Parks and Recreation Director.

Chairperson Culum likes the location of the sign as a pathway to the Rock Creek Trail.

Discussion ensued about adding QR codes to signage in the city.

Discussion took place with ideas for the next CEG grant application period. Ideas: signs recognizing the historic districts w/QR code to the virtual tour. Light post banners for the Historic Parks District.

Action Item: Need a Commissioner to volunteer to write the next grant. Commissioner volunteer to get estimated cost for banners.

b) **CLG Grant Information**

City Planner Strickland gave an update of the CLG grant process. She stated she is working on tracking hours now, and asked the commission to email her their hours on this project .

5) New Business - NONE

6) Upcoming Meeting(s)

a) Monday, June 7, 2021

7) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm

Kelli Ebersole

Kelli Ebersole, Administrative Assistant