

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, May 6, 2014

Mr. Graham called the meeting to order about 7:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chair Charles Graham, Mr. Frank Holloway, Mr. Edward Ross, Mr. Chris Von Handorf, Mr. Jamie Garrett and Mr. Brad Thorp. Also present: City Planner Andrew Rodney and Assistant Clerk of Council Julie Weaver.

Absent: Dr. Richard Hoback.

EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

Dr. Hoback had notified staff by email that he would be out of town at the time of the meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Garrett made a motion to excuse the absence of Dr. Hoback. Mr. Holloway seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Garrett noted that he was not present to request the adjournment of the meeting as noted in the minutes of the meeting on April 1, 2014. It was later determined that Dr. Hoback had made the motion.

MOTION: Mr. Holloway made a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Architectural Review meeting on April 1, 2014, with the correction noted. Mr. Von Handorf seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-1, with Mr. Garrett abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS

**2014 BAR Preservation Award**

Pictures of some possible nominations for the annual award were distributed at the previous meeting and also included in the BAR packet. Previous to the meeting, Because of his anticipated absence, Dr. Hoback submitted his top choices in his email. Mr. Garrett clarified that other buildings of historical significance in the community could be included in the nominations and added the Jerry Strange home at 650 E. Alex Bell. Mr. Thorp added his nomination of Dr. Ellinger's property at 107 E. Franklin Street. Mr. Holloway recommended the Walton House that was included in the properties noted in the packet. Although other properties were mentioned, these three were consistently among the top choices of the members of the Board. Using a weighted number system suggested by Mr. Rodney, 107 E. Franklin Street was determined to be the winner. Second place was the Walton House. Third was the Jerry Strange house.

Mr. Rodney agreed to notify Mr. and Mrs. Ellinger of the award and invite them to the Council Meeting on June 16, 2014 for the presentation. All the members of the Board of Architectural

Review members were invited to participate in the presentation. Mr. Thorp agreed to be spokesperson.

Mr. Graham thanked the members for their efforts in determining the winner. Many had walked the Architectural Preservation District, and all had spent time evaluating the properties.

### **Unified Development Ordinance Omnibus Text Amendment**

Mr. Rodney discussed potential changes to the UDO that could affect the Board of Architectural Review, although they were not the recommending body for the changes. He requested input for the items reviewed in the memo included in the packets. Examples are as follows:

- A majority of the whole would be required to pass a motion, not a simple majority of those present and that there would be updates related to Major Site Plans.
- Staff would have the authority to approve expansions of parking lots of less than 8 spaces, in order to expedite the process and make it more user-friendly.
- Landscaping requirements would be eased to allow flexibility in design and types of plantings.
- In some cases, the requirement for 5' sidewalks would be reduced to 4'.
- Up to 25% of the floor area used only for storage for a business would be exempt from the area used to calculate the required number of parking spaces.

Mr. Rodney asked members to look over the memo, send him questions and provide him with input at any time in the upcoming weeks. Mr. Rodney noted that the Planning Commission tabled a vote on the text amendment to May 27, 2014.

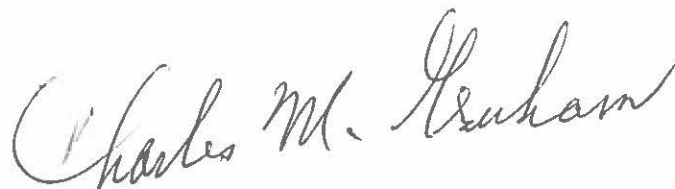
### **COMMUNICATIONS**

In Communications, Mr. Rodney reported that Third Friday events from 6-9 p.m. would begin on May 16 in the Architectural Preservation District. He noted businesses coming into the downtown area and a lack of activity for the LA Tan and Dewey's properties. Mr. Rodney mentioned that some areas of E. Franklin Street were to be repaved in the next few weeks, and that more work will occur when Vectren replaces gas lines in 12 to 18 months.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Holloway made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Garrett seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

The next meeting of the Board of Architectural Review is scheduled for June 3, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

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