

ROME HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

Carnegie Building, 607 Broad Street

ATTENDANCE

Members Present:

Harry Wise
Phil Jones
Megan Watters
Roger Wade
Bill Byington
Jessica Bittle

Staff:

Sue Hiller
Patrick Eidson
Ann Arnold
Gary Johnson
Billy Crowe
Dean Oswald
Frank Beacham
Bryan King

Others:

Doug Walker
Ira Levy
Emily Holcombe
Bill Armacher
Allen Mull
Wayne Robinson
Brentz Turner

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Megan Watters called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Staff called roll; a quorum was met. Ms. Watters welcomed visitors and explained the procedures the meeting would follow. CERTIFICATE OF **APPROPRIATENESS**

Case #605-15 The property at 300-308 Broad Street is located in the Between the Rivers Historic District. The applicant proposed to construct a single building that includes six retail storefronts and 31 parking spaces on the first floor and 26 apartments on the 2nd and 3rd Floors. The applicant Ira Levy spoke in favor of the project. Ms. Bittle discussed and reviewed the architectural features of the proposed project. Mr. Wade stated that he did not agree with the design guidelines in regard to balconies on Broad Street, and commented on the historic importance and functionality balconies held on Broad Street. Mr. Wade made a motion to approve with conditions that the applicant must submit five additional supplements for approval. The additions are; street transects, wall sections, photos of the cast iron storefront columns, roof plan, and elevations with dimensions and clearly defined materiality. Mr. Wise seconded the motion. With Mr. Jones recused the motion carried 5-0.

Case #606-15 The property at 116 E 2nd is located in the Between the Rivers Historic District. The applicant Allen Mull proposed to replace all upper floor windows with aluminum clad windows of the same size, and layout as the existing design. Mr. Wise made a motion to approve as summited. Mr. Byington seconded the motion, the motion carried 6-0.

Case #607-15 The property at 200 E 4th Avenue is located in the Between the Rivers Historic District. The applicant Emily Holcombe proposed to replace; the porch roof with a standing seam metal roof, the wood

columns on the porch with fiberglass columns, the wood siding on the rear of the house with hardie board, the porch flooring with pressure treated wood. The applicant also proposed to change the landscaping in the front yard including replacing current landing with brick, and cutting down two maples and replanting new maples. Mr. Byington made a motion; to approve the metal roof due to lack of visibility, to approve fiberglass columns due to the fact that one column is already fiberglass, to approve hardie board siding on the largest rear elevation due to lack of visibility from the street, to approve landscaping as summited. Mr. Wise seconded the motion, the motion carried 6-0.

Case #608-15 The property 611-613 Turner McCall is located in the Aveune A Historic District. The applicant Wayne Robinson proposed an addition to the rear of the building. The addition would extend 15' from the current structure. Mr. Wade made a motion to approve as summited. Mr. Byington seconded the motion, the motion carried 6-0.

Case #609-15 The property 113 E 9th Street is located in the East Rome Historic District. The applicant Wayne Robinson proposed to paint the exterior brick of the building, and add non-functional shutters on 5 windows. Mr. Brentz Turner spoke in opposition to the proposed project. Mr. Wade made a motion to approve the painting of the brick finding that the brick cannot be cleaned. The motion included approval of accent shutters with the conditions; that the shutters must be wood, the shutters must be hung with hardware of the period, the shutters must be rectangle, either two paneled or louvered, the shutters are to fit between the architectural brick features and the window edges. Mr. Byington Seconded the motion, the motion carried 6-0.

Case #610-15 The property 407 E 3rd Street is located in the Between the Rivers Historic District. The applicant Stephen Googe proposed to raise and alter the front dormer of the house. The applicant spoke in favor of the project. Mr. Wade pointed out that no neighbors where present in opposition to the project. Mr. Wade made a motion to approve the dormer as it is physically there, with no change to size or dimension. The applicant was given further instruction that any changes need to be discussed with staff. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. With Mr. Byington recused the motion carried 3-2.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes

- (a) April minutes were approved.

2. Staff Reports

(b) Staff reported on Historic Preservation Month

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.