

 CITY OF DOVER	HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES	
	Meeting Type: Regular Meeting Meeting Location: McConnell Center, Room 305 Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 04, 2016 Meeting Time: 7:00 pm	

Present: Jeff Spires, Councilor Dennis Shanahan, Otis Perry

Absent: Anthony McManus

Staff: Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker; Community Development Planner, Dave Carpenter

1. C.Parker called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. Nomination of Chair:
 - a. J.Spires, seconded by D.Shanahan for Otis Perry for Chair. Vote UA
3. Nomination of Vice Chair:
 - a. D.Shanahan seconded by Otis Perry for Jeff Spires for Vice Chair. Vote UA
4. Nomination of Secretary.
 - a. O.Perry recommended postponing.
5. Review of Non Public Meeting Procedural Checklist
 - a. C.Parker reviewed criteria. If the need arises for a non-public, the City Attorney would attend.
6. Review of Board Goals & Objectives
 - a. C.Parker reviewed chapter 5 of the City Code.
 - b. O.Perry and C.Parker discussed that review for eligibility on National Registry is a separate process.
7. Determination whether there is historic, cultural or architectural value to 104-124 Washington Street
 - a. Nick Kostis of Hellenic Realty Partners reviewed the conditions of the building with the Commission. Photographic evidence as well as anecdotal evidence was shared. The building has had numerous alterations and modifications over the past 40 years, which eliminate most of the architectural value.
 - b. C..Parker presented material supplied by the Library Director.

Moved by J.Spires, seconded by D.Shanahan to recommend to the City Council that there is no significant historical, cultural, or architectural value. Further it finds that the proposed replacement structure will reflect the look, feel, and history of Dover's downtown.



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Discussion ensued about the lack of evidence that historic events occurred on the site, and that through fire, and alteration the building has lost much of the character and nuance that might have been found originally in the structure.

O.Perry requested that elements from the Orpheum sign and trim treatment be retained. N.Kostis agreed that they would reuse elements if they could be safely removed within the new structure or lobby area.

Discussion ensued about adding the request to the correspondence to the City Council. Further discussion about the value of the new building and the fact that the new building was honoring the look and feel of the existing structure and of Downtown Dover's heritage.

It was the consensus of the Commission that any reuse of the Orpheum sign or arch elements within the building or lobby area would be a valuable asset to the replacement structure.

O.Perry called the vote: UA

8. Other business

O.Perry demonstrated the 1991 Historic District booklet. C.Parker to email link to PDF of it.

Next Meeting to be determined as needed.

9. Adjourn

7:43 Moved by D.Shanahan, seconded by J.Spires to adjourn. Vote: UA.