

HPRB June 14 Work Session

Roll Call:

Bunn, Hartshorn, White, Boyd, Anderson,

1. Updating Design Review Guidelines

-Board believes that the design review guidelines should incorporate more visuals. Include more references than the 'A Place in Time' book.

- Mrs. White would like more specifics on temporary signage.

-Mr. Boyd would like to consider if there is a better way to organize the guidelines. Breaking down the guidelines into sections such as architectural, historical, landscaping, etc.

-Town guidelines can be drafted in reference from the Department of Interior guidelines.

-Mrs. White believes the district has two issues. Not all OH Districts contain both residential and commercial. Because of this, it is very walkable. Speeding traffic and noise are one issue. She believes there should be a traffic calming project done on Main Street, the same as there was on Valley Street. Staff informs the board that VDOT will be completing a study on Main Street soon. Secondly, Plumb Alley is a major asset of the OH District. Mrs. White believes it is being abused as a drive through street along with speeding, instead of as an in and outlet for residents living along Plumb Alley. Mrs. White believes signage discouraging speeding and traffic may help.

-Mr. Geisler believes adding guidelines that specify that anyone constructing driveways and other construction along Plumb Alley must comply with town setback regulations.

-Next step for updating the design review guidelines would be to hold more work sessions focusing on the changes that need to be made.

2. Historic Preservation Day

Do we want to have another Preservation Day this year? Yes. The Board feels that October would be a good month. October 12th would be the best day.

The Board suggests the Council Chambers at Town Hall for the venue.

The Board believes Mike Pulice would be a good choice for keynote speaker.

Suggestion of a Walking / lynx bus tour following Mike Pulice presentation.

Afternoon workshops on topics such as resident tax credits.

Other workshop speakers could be DHR representatives Aubrey Von Lindern, Blake McDonald, and Carolyn Zemanian.

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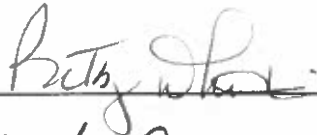
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