

Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission
April 24, 2019 - Meeting Minutes
Oak Park Village Hall, Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

Roll Call

Present: Chair Christopher Payne and Commissioners Tom Abrahamson, Jennifer Bridge, Sandra Carr, Lou Garapolo, David Sokol, and Noel Weidner
Absent: Commissioners Darrick Gurski, Laura Jordahl, Rebecca Houze, and Aleksandra Tadic,
Staff: Susie Trexler, Historic Preservation Urban Planner
Attorney: Gregory Smith, Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins

Agenda Approval

Motion by Commissioner Sokol to approve the agenda; Second by Commissioner Carr; Motion approved 6-0.

Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Garapolo to approve draft minutes for April 11, 2019; Second by Commissioner Garapolo; Motion approved 6-0.

Chair Payne noted that no members of the public were in attendance and therefore there would be no non-agenda public comment.

Regular Agenda

- A. HPC 2019-2: 1014 and 1018 Pleasant Street (Rossell):** Resolution to deny the Certificate of Economic Hardship for demolition of the buildings at 1014 and 1018 Pleasant Street (Ridgeland-Oak Park Historic District).

Commission Carr said that she was not present at the April 11 meeting but she watched the video recording.

Motion by Commissioner Garapolo to approve the resolution denying the Certificate of Economic Hardship for the demolition of the buildings at 1014 and 1018 Pleasant Street.

Commissioner Sokol asked if it is necessary to include all items listed in the resolution even if there aren't relevant to the Ordinance. Attorney Smith said that some items are relevant because the applicant presented them and a comprehensive resolution is recommended.

The Commission discussed the process moving forward. Attorney Smith said the applicant can appeal the Commission's decision to the Village Board.

Motion by Commissioner Garapolo seconded by Commissioner Bridge. Motion approved 6-0.

AYE: Commissioner Bridge, Commissioner Carr, Commissioner Garapolo, Commissioner Sokol, and Commissioner Weidner, and Chair Payne

NAY: None

- B. HPC 2019-16: 416 N Oak Park Ave (Julia Skubin and Seth Weber):** Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish the existing chimney associated with interior remodel (Frank Lloyd Wright-Prairie School of Architecture Historic District). A Certificate of Appropriateness for the associated window changes was approved by the Historic Preservation Commission on April 11, 2019.

Chair Payne introduced the project. Planner Trexler gave an overview.

Motion by Commissioner Sokol to open the discussion; Second by Commissioner Garapolo.

The Commission discussed the Architectural Review Guidelines Roofing Policy and how it applies to chimneys. Commissioner Weidner said that the chimney should have been included by the applicant in the original Certificate of Appropriateness.

Commissioner Abrahamson arrived at approximately 7:20PM, during the discussion.

Motion by Commissioner Sokol to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for demolition of the chimney. Second by Commissioner Weidner. Motion approved 7-0.

AYE: Commissioner Abrahamson, Commissioner Bridge, Commissioner Carr, Commissioner Garapolo, Commissioner Sokol, and Commissioner Weidner, and Chair Payne

NAY: None

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Payne said that there is a Historic Buildings symposium that will take place on May 23 at the Nineteenth Century Club if anyone is interested in attending.

ADJOURN

Motion by Commissioner Garapolo to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Carr. Motion approved 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25PM.

Minutes prepared by Susie Trexler, Urban Planner Historic Preservation.