Historic Review Board MINUTES
Wednesday April 27, 2022
Elgin Public Library

Attending: Ed Rivers, Barry Barker, Cynthia Burchfield, Jake Carter and Skie O'Mahoney and Micah Erwin.
Absent: Molly Alexander-Italy, Sherri Richardson- work training and Robert Ryland- work conflict. Absents acknowledged and approved.
Staff: Amy Miller, Community Services Director
Called at 7:39 am by Ed Rivers
Public Comment - None.

Minutes: Jake Carter moves to approve March 23rd minutes. 2nd by Skie O'Mahoney. Passed unanimously.

101South Main Street- Restrooms, Approved in 2017 with all metal. The board did not require exterior other than metal. City code requires 90 percent masonry - Hardi plank comes in many varieties - can look like wood. Would development services consider a lesser percentage of masonry requirement. Temporary building on skids was allowed to be metal. Was considered temporary. Leave that decision in place. No action taken.

32 North Main Street- application not submitted. Will be presented at future meeting.

110 South Main Street: The Rivers building, Sign application- primary sign blade sign. 16 sq ft logo Austin Title Company, mounted above the canopy. Does not obscure windows and brick detail. Jake Carter moves to approve sign application. 2nd by Cynthia Burchfield. Passed unanimously.

200 Depot Street Block- New construction of a police department building on city owned property. Molly Alexander participated in a zoom conference with the city and Architects and Ed Rivers participated in an in-person meeting with the city and architects. Site plan and conceptual rendering presented -10,500 sq ft. new building will be separate from the existing 202 Depot Street building. New construction would face the new park expansion area, would be using the majority of the street frontage available. It will align with the future sidewalk project and Advocacy Outreach building (which comes to the edge of the sidewalk) Building would be a brick structure, partial two story and then a single-story structure. There's an opening between the new building and the Poth building which would be screened from the street and used as an inactive vehicle- used for parking. Essentially the parking would be behind the building. Brick structure, with long narrow windows and a canopy with public entry from sidewalk from Depot St.

No changes to the property at 202 Depot today. That would be presented in future. Skie O'Mahoney moves approve initial concept and site plan and acknowledge that architects and city are working closely with Texas Historic Commission Main Street office to proceed with design. 2nd by Micah Erwin. Passed unanimously.

117 Central Avenue- New tile was placed about 10-12 years ago. Will be replaced with concrete. When new concrete come to joint of cast iron plate. The plate will not be covered with concrete. Cynthia Burchfield moves approve noting that the cast iron plate will not be covered with concrete. 2nd by Jake Carter.

Sign Ordinance - Storefront window signs today do not allow tagline signs - we have reviewed and approved this and is commonly used especially for retail. Recommend adding timeline for removal of seasonal signage. Staff will work with Development Services to proceed developing an amendment that would address allowing this type of signage.

Announcements:

Cody Mauck shared an update on 212 N Main St. Millie's on Main Street. Can we have trash services on the alley - limited space in rear of property. Want to maximize the retail aspect. Working with Post Oak Preservation- a historic preservation consulting firm assisting with project. Front facade use glass in the large garage door openings to maintain that open space. 1930 gas station, 1950 the bays the garage area, 1970 addition between the two structures is I very poor condition. In redoing this space there are some requirements cannot use stucco or same size and style brick. Considering. Neon sign or public art.

Staff notes that the sign ordinance allows neon signage and the public art plan addresses how to do public art. Rear area to have deck, small stage retain large tree, seating area, small storage building - plan to stick build it would be 16x10. Front area- outdoor seating, four food trucks, planters to delineate the front property line keeping it open visibly but creating a visual reminder between the private and public.

Sip Shop Stroll- May 12 dedicate mural at 202 Depot at 5pm. Imagine Possibilities Tour at 5:30 at 104 N Main.

Explore Elgin Art and Culture Sat May 21- public art tours and activities throughout the community see etx150 for details Etx150.com

Adjourned 8:52am

APPROVED: ATTEST:

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