

**ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

February 17, 2021

The Athens-Clarke County Historic Preservation Commission met and considered the following items at a public meeting on Wednesday, February 17th, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting, hosted via WebEx, was held at 120 W. Dougherty Street, Athens, Georgia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Bishop, Heather Fletcher, Worth VanLinden, Ellen Walker,
Thomas White, Missy Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bobbie Epting

STAFF PRESENT: Sandy Beasley, Amber Eskew, Bruce Lonnee (host), Michael Petty

CALL TO ORDER:

1. Determination of Quorum: Quorum present
2. Introduction of staff reports and all other documents submitted to the Historic Preservation Commission at this meeting into the official record: Motion to receive all documents into the official record passed unanimously (rollcall vote.)
3. Adoption of the minutes: Motion to adopt the minutes of the January 20, 2021 meeting passed unanimously (rollcall vote.)
4. Ex-Parte Communications: None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 648 Nantahala Avenue COA-2021-01-144

Petitioner: Mike Hutchins for Laureen & Joe Beckner
Request: Modifications to Windows, Siding, and Porch
Information: 114D1 F012, Boulevard, RS-8

Ms. Eskew presented the staff report with a recommendation to approve the application with conditions.

Agent / Owner: Mike Hutchins

In Favor: none

Opposed: none

Motion:

Mr. White moved that the application be approved with the exception of the front porch railing. Mr. VanLinden seconded. After discussion regarding the motion, Ms. Walker requested a friendly amendment to retain the gables and as much of the original front siding as possible. With Mr. VanLinden's consent, Mr. White withdrew his original motion. He then

moved to accept staff's recommendation to approve with application with the following conditions:

1. the front façade retain as much of the original wood as possible,
2. the original window be retained at the front porch,
3. the requested column replacement be approved,
4. the railing not be included on the front porch,
5. approve the front double window as requested,
6. the other areas are to be as applicant requested in regards to replacement windows and siding.

Mr. VanLinden seconded and the motion carried unanimously (via rollcall vote.)

2. 188 S. Milledge Avenue

COA-2021-01-146

Petitioner: ETL Construction / Bill Kraeling for Ralph Shewell

Request: Modify Previous Addition Design

Information: 122B4 J003 and J003G, Milledge Avenue, C-O (MAC)

Ms. Eskew presented the staff report with a recommendation to approve the application as submitted.

Agent / Owner: Ralph Shewell

In Favor: none

Opposed: none

Motion:

Mr. VanLinden moved to approve the application as submitted (approval of the use of a pilaster to provide the required delineation of old and new construction). Ms. Fletcher seconded and the motion carried unanimously (via rollcall vote.)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 394 S. Milledge Avenue

COA-2021-01-153

Petitioner: Christopher Evans

Request: Modifications to Openings and Site

Information: 122D2 A006, Milledge Avenue, C-O (MAC)

Ms. Eskew presented the staff report with a recommendation to table the application.

Agent / Owner: Chris Evans (Provided additional documents (nine files) via email during the meeting. The Commission agreed to accept the new information as Exhibit A.)

In Favor: none

Opposed: Scott Reid

Motion:

Mr. VanLinden moved to table the application for up to six months. Mr. Evans agreed to table. Mr. White seconded and the motion carried unanimously (via rollcall vote.) Mr. Bishop authorized Ms. Eskew to sign the tabling document.

2. 184 W. Clayton Street

COA-2021-01-160

Petitioner: Koons Environmental Design for Graymad LLC

Request: New Pergola Structure

Information: 171A5 A007, W. Downtown, C-D

Ms. Eskew presented the staff report with a recommendation to approve the application with one condition.

Agent / Owner: Josh Koons

In Favor: none

Opposed: none

Motion: Ms. Walker moved to approve the application with the option to allow a steel door with a painted finish and tempered glazing to allow compliance with fire code for a doorway on a property line. Ms. Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously (via rollcall vote.)

CONCEPTUAL PRELIMINARY DESIGN REVIEW: none

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Designation Committee Report

The Designation Committee met via WebEx on February 17th with Bishop, Epting, Eskew, Lonnee, White, and Wilson attending. Cari Goetcheus, Professor for UGA Masters of Historic Preservation Program, discussed the potential of adding Whitehall Mill Village, Beechhaven, and Fire Hall 2 to the National Register. They also discussed research endeavors for designations as projects for her future classes.

2. Education Committee Report

The Committee met via WebEx on February 15th with Eskew, Fletcher, Lonnee, VanLinden, and Walker attending. They discussed possible formatting changes to the Design Guidelines, as well as provided input on changes to the Historic Preservation portion of the Planning Department website.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements: none

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.