

Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County
Mayor and Commission
Special Called Session
Tuesday, September 22, 2015
4:00 p.m.
120 West Dougherty Street

The Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia met this date in a special called session. Present: Mayor Denson; Commissioners Dickerson, Sims, Link, Wright, Bailey, NeSmith, Bell, and Girtz. Absent: Commissioners Herod and Hamby.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider appeal of the Historic Preservation Commission's decision regarding Certificate of Appropriateness #2015-06-1283 for 440 Bloomfield Street (John E. and Susan G. Totten).

Attorney Berryman gave an overview of the appeal process.

Historic Preservation Planner Amber Eskew gave the staff presentation given to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Proponent input

1. Matthew Totten – 3400 Stratford Street, NE, Atlanta
2. John Totten – 111 Trillium Lane

Opponent input

1. Kim Klonowski – 125 Wilcox Street

Rebuttal

1. Matthew Totten

A motion was made by Commissioner Girtz, seconded by Commissioner Link, to find that the Historic Preservation Commission did not abuse its discretion in reaching its decision regarding the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 440 Bloomfield Street and uphold the determination made by the Historic Preservation Commission.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner NeSmith, seconded by Commissioner Sims, to find that the Historic Preservation Commission did abuse its discretion in reaching its decision regarding the Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 440 Bloomfield Street and reject the determination made by the Historic Preservation Commission.

There was a tie roll call vote on the substitute motion with Commissioners Dickerson, Sims, NeSmith, and Bell voting YES; and Commissioners Link, Wright, Bailey, and Girtz voting NO. (4 YES; 4 NO). Mayor Denson broke the tie with a vote of YES.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Clerk of Commission