



Indianapolis Historic Preservation Commission (IHPC) HEARING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 5, 2025, 5:30 P.M.
2nd Floor, Public Assembly Room, City-County Building

Commissioners present: President Bill Browne (**WB**), Vice President David Baker (**DB**), Michael Bivens (**MB**), Anson Keller (**AK**), Krystin Wiggs (**KW**), Anjanette Sivilich (**AS**) and Disa Watson (**DW**)

Commissioners absent: Annie Lear (**AL**) and Susan Williams (**SW**)

Staff present: Meg Busch – Administrator, (**Meg**), Chris Steinmetz (**CS**), Emily Jarzen- Principal Architectural Reviewer (**EJ**), Shelbi Long - Senior Architectural Reviewer (**SL**), Morgan Marmolejo - Architectural Reviewer (**MM**), Grace Goedeker - Preservation Planner and Recorder (**GG**)

BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER 5:30

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES 5:30

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WB: Asked for motion for approval of minutes

Motion: KW

2nd: AS

Unanimous Approval

III. OLD BUSINESS – NO PUBLIC HEARING

**2019-COA-435 A&B
AMENDED (MCD)**

**1 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET
RATIO ARCHITECTS**
Two-year COA extension

EJ: COA expired more than a year ago with limited changes to design that can be done at staff level.

AK: Asked questions about the extension policy.

EJ: Explained that only certain extensions can be granted by staff and expired COAs or COAs that need a multiple year extension has to be granted by the commission.

WB Abstains

Motion: AS

2nd: DB

Unanimous Approval

2023-COA-506B (ONS)

**1201 NORTH DELAWARE STREET
MIKE LYNCH AND JAMEY SMITH**
Violation correction extension

SL: Explained the applicant is in the process of correcting the violation but have hit weather delays and that they still need to install the cornice and paint.

Motion: KW

2nd: DB

Unanimous Approval
2024-COA-188A (WP)

958 WOODRUFF PLACE MIDDLE DRIVE
ALI KHAN

Violation correction check-in

Representative for case Mark Woodfall (MW)

MW: Explained that Ali is still working with Shelbi, and he is updating the drawings for documentation purposes.

SL: Updated the commission on the approval given for windows and explained the few remaining items that need approval.

No Vote Required

IV. NEW BUSINESS – NO PUBLIC HEARING

INTRODUCTION TO COMMON PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Meg:

- Explained the origins of the idea for the common plan stemming from updating all of the existing plans.
- Mentioned that a working draft has been created and conversation will be happening with City Leadership and the neighborhoods before the plan is officially brought before the commission.

GG:

- Explained that the common plan had been posted for public comment and been reviewed by the members of the staff.
- Explained the contents of the common plan, including a general outline of the plan.
- Emphasized that the plan is primarily a centralization of information that is common across all plans and that specific guidelines will remain in the individual historic district plans.

WB: Asks when the commission should expect to see the draft.

Meg: Responded mid-summer and that the common plan will also make updating the plan in the future easier.

PUBLIC HEARING

WB: Read rules of procedure and introduces the commission and staff

V. REQUEST TO WITHDRAW OR CONTINUE APPLICATIONS

5:43

**2024-COA-353 (FS) &
2024-VHP-010**

1126 PROSPECT STREET
ALEX OSTROVSKY

continue to April 2, 2025

Variance of Development Standards to allow less front window transparency than required

2024-COA-406 (LS)

544 NORTH PARK AVENUE
MICHAEL MERCHO

continue to March 5, 2025

Amend approved plans for 544 North Park Avenue building ("Liberty Place" development)

Meg: Read cases

WB: Asked for a motion for both cases

Motion: KW

2nd: MB

Unanimously Approved

VI. EXPEDITED CASES

2024-COA-453 (HMP)

**2144 NORTH TALBOTT STREET
MELISSA IANNUCCI**

Construct single-family house and detached garage

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Meg: Reads Case

WB: Asked commission and public for comment, with no response.

Asked for motion.

Motion: KW

2nd: MB

Unanimously Approved

VII. APPLICATIONS TO BE HEARD (CONTINUED)

NONE

VIII. APPLICATIONS TO BE HEARD (NEW)

NONE

IX. PRELIMINARY REVIEW

NONE

X. APPLICATIONS TO BE HEARD – WORK STARTED WITHOUT APPROVAL

NONE

XI. OLD BUSINESS – TO BE HEARD

NONE

XII. CLOSING BUSINESS

NONE

Adjourned: 5:45