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HAGERSTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

MINUTES

DATE: February 27, 2025 – 4:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Room 407, City Hall Building

Attendance –

Name	In-Person	Remote	Absent
Appointed Voting Members			
Michael Gehr, Chairperson	X		
Leslie Allen, Vice Chairperson	X		
Robert Powell	X		
W. Douglas Carroll			X
Michael Heyser	X		
Rich Owens	X		
Sven Alstrom	X		
Staff and Ex-Officio Members			
S. Bockmiller, Development Review Planner/Zoning Administrator	X		
M. Revilla, Recording Secretary	X		

Preliminary Matters -

Call to Order and Instructions from the Chair –

Michael Gehr called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. Attendance of members and staff are reflected in the chart above. The Chair read the standard public instructions regarding order of business into the record.

Approval of Minutes –

Approval of Minutes for meeting of November 21, 2024.

Ms. Allen made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented with no changes. Mr. Powell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-0.

Consent Agenda –

HDC-2025-06– 92 West Washington Street – Ares Investments – Signage.

Candy Moore of Ares Investments, per guidance from the Commission, withdrew the application as it does not require HDC approval.

HDC-2025-07– 922 Oak Hill Avenue – Ashley Shirley – Garage Demolition.

HDC-2025-04 –1 East Franklin Street – City of Hagerstown –Doors

HDC-2025-05 –92 West Washington Street – Ares Investments – Signage.

HDC-2025-08 –806 The Terrace – Frederick Fence –Fence.

Mr. Powell: Mr. Chairman/Madam Chair, I have reviewed the materials submitted in Cases HDC-2025-07, HDC-2025-04, HDC-2025-05, HDC-2025-08, and their associated staff reports and recommendations, and I have viewed the properties in question. The staff reports recommend approval of these applications as consistent with the applicable standards adopted by this Commission, and no one has appeared at this hearing with concerns about issues with, or objections to these applications. Therefore, I move that this Commission adopt the staff evaluations and recommendations in these cases as its own and grant Certificates of Appropriateness to the applicants for Cases HDC-2025-07, HDC-2025-04, HDC-2025-05, HDC-2025-08. Ms. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-0.

Design Review-

HDC-2025-09– 17 East Franklin Street– Jamil Farrukh – Signage.

Workshops-

160 South Prospect Street – Nick Hodges – Construction elevations.

New Business-

Election of officers.

Motion – Mr. Powell moved to elect Michael Gehr as the Chair and Leslie Allen as Vice Chair. Mr. Owens seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

Old Business-

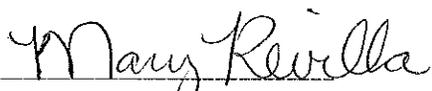
None

Announcements-

None.

Adjourn -

With no further discussion, Mr. Powell made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Allen seconded the motion, the meeting adjourned at 5:57 P.M.


Mary Revilla, Recording Secretary

Approved 3-27-25