

FLINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2023

Commissioners Present

Heather Burnash, Chair
Beverly Davis, Vice-Chair
Stephanie Wright
Michael Hurley
Kurt Neiswender

Staff Present

Max Lester, Int. Zoning Coordinator

Absent: none

ROLL CALL:

Chairperson Burnash called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m. Roll was taken, and a quorum was present. Carrie Favro was the ESL interpreter for this meeting.

The meeting was held in-person as well as via Zoom and phone conferencing as approved.

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Commissioner Neiswender made a motion to approve the agenda with that addition. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. *Motion carried via voice vote.*

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND DISPOSAL:

Minutes for May 4th, 2023 meeting are not ready at this time.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Chairperson Burnash opened the floor for public comment on anything not on the agenda. There were no public comments.

CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS/NOTICES TO PROCEED:

Applicant: Carole Mair, Michigan School for the Deaf

Property Owner: Lurvey White Ventures I LLC

Location: 1235 W Court, Flint MI 48503

Carole Mair and Freida Morrison are in attendance from the Superintendent's Cottage Historical Society to communicate and answer questions on their plans to remove the existing back deck from the Superintendent's Cottage on the Michigan School for the Deaf Campus and then install a new back deck, with Carrie Favro interpreting. Discussion was held on the Queen Anne style of the house. Commissioner Wright motions to approve the application with rebuild staying within the current footprint with more period accurate spindles, railings, and lattice as the front porch. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. Unanimous support via a roll call vote.

Applicant: Genesee County Land Bank

Property Owner: Genesee County Land Bank

Location: 309 W 5th Avenue and 5 adjacent parcels w/o addresses

Travis Gilbert is in attendance from the Genesee County Land Bank to present their plan to build (16) sixteen new for-sale townhomes with exterior façade materials including face brick, cornices, wood, wrought iron, etc., in line with HDC requirements. Commissioner Neiswender motioned to approve the application. Commission Wright seconded the motion. Unanimous support via a roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rowe Engineering – Riverbank Park: Wade Trim presentation (via Zoom) including details on the Section 106 Historic Preservation review of Lawrence Halprin Park.

Legal Opinion: The City’s Legal Office is still working on the requested legal opinion.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Neiswender motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. and Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. *Unanimously carried via voice vote.*