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MEETING MINUTES

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Videoconference (Zoom)
Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.

The Historic Preservation Commission held a meeting on Thursday, February 16, 2023 via Zoom. The meeting started at 5:15 pm and concluded at 6:55 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Donna Leach at 5:15 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present

Donna Leach, Chair

Chris Trahan

Robert Klahr, Vice-Chair

Ed Nichols

Helen Fuller

Staff Present

John Wagner, Director of Planning & Development

John Mulligan, City Attorney

2. Public Comments – none

3. Old Business – none

4. New Business

a. **File Number:** HPC 23-01

Address: 6880 Washington Avenue

Applicant: Jeff White, Christner Architects

Property Owner: Center for Creative Arts (COCA)

Request: University City Civic Complex: Design Review for Conformance with District Standards

VOTE REQUIRED

Dr. Wagner provided a brief overview of the project and scope.

Jeff White, Christner Architects provided an overview of the COCA project.

General discussion ensued.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application as proposed. **It was approved by a vote of 5 yes and 0 no.**

b. **File Number:** HPC 23-02

Address: 6900 Delmar Boulevard, 6901 Washington Avenue, 560 Trinity Avenue

Applicant: Stacey Wehe, AIA, Managing Principal, Christner Architects

Property Owner: RDI Real Estate, LLC, Grace United Methodist Church, Washington

Request: University City Civic Complex: Design Review for Conformance with District Standards

VOTE REQUIRED

Dr. Wagner provided a brief overview of the project and scope.

Stacey Wehe provided an overview of the project as proposed by Washington University.

Dr. Wagner provided an overview of the history of the zoning requirements to this point.

Chairwoman Leach asked about lighting for the site.

Mr. Nichols voiced his concern about the synergy between the north and south side of Delmar Boulevard.

General discussion ensued for several minutes.

Steve Condrin from Washington University provided comments regarding the parking garage behind the 560 Trinity building. He also noted that the University is agnostic on which version of the plan is preferred.

Ms. Fuller left the meeting at 6:30.

General discussion ensued again, including comments from several residents.

Mr. Klahr noted the plan's consistency with the Civic Plaza Master Plan. Mr. Nichols echoed Mr. Klahr's comments.

The Commission decided to defer action on this application until March 15, 2023 to allow the Traffic Commission to review the proposal.

5. Other Business – none

6. Reports – Councilmember Klein provided an update on the City's flood relief efforts and the costs associated with those efforts.

7. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.