

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
Design Review Committee Minutes
Location: 2100 Randolph Road, Charlotte, N. C.
April 27, 2016
Time: 8:00 - 9:25 a.m**

Present:

**Mr. Matthew Benson
Ms. Jennifer Coots
Mr. Joe Elliott/City, HLC Treasurer
Ms. Laura Hoover/County
Mr. Kenneth Pursley/County, Design Review Com. Chair
Dan L. Morrill, HLC Consulting Director
Mr. Stewart Gray, HLC Preservation Planner
Ms. Mary Dominick, HLC Administrative Assistant
Ms. Mary Lynn Morrill, HLC Recording Consultant**

Absent:

**Mr. Louis Asbury
Mr. David Gieser
Mr. Victor Jones
Mr. Mike Rogers
Mr. John Shurley**

Visitors:

**Mr. Neal Kanipe, Charlotte Fire Station No. 4
Mr. Donnie Love, Charlotte Fire Station No. 4
Mr. Jonathan Blain, Charlotte Coliseum
Mr. John Howard, Charlotte Fire Station No. 4**

1. Chair's Report: Ken Pursley

Mr. Pursley welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the members for their service on the Committee.

2. Consulting Director's Report: Dan Morrill

Dr. Morrill expressed his appreciation for each member's service to the Committee. He stated that administration of Certificates of Appropriateness is functioning effectively.

Dr. Morrill briefly described the historical significance of the Charlotte Coliseum and Charlotte Fire Station Number 4.

3. Preservation Planner's Report: Stewart Gray

Mr. Gray had no report.

4. Consideration of Applications for Certificates of Appropriateness.

a. Consideration of an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Charlotte Coliseum, 2700 E. Independence Boulevard, Charlotte, N.C.

Staff explained that the owner of the property is the City of Charlotte. The City proposes to repair exterior concrete and tile, to add low E-film to the glazing of the exterior windows, and to add a service area/ front sidewalk addition to the building. The Commission discussed the proposed changes, and representative of the City responded to the questions.

MR. PURSLEY PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. BENSON THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION THAT IT ISSUE THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR THE RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS AS PROPOSED FOR THE CHARLOTTE COLISEUM, 2700 EAST INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD, CHARLOTTE, N.C., AND APPROVE CONCEPTUALLY THE DESIGN OF THE STORAGE BUILDING, BUT THAT THE APPLICANT BRING TO THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING DETAILED PLANS FOR THE ROOF-PLAZA. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION.

b. Consideration of an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Charlotte Fire Station Number 4, 427 West Fifth Street, Charlotte, N.C.

The applicant proposes to make material alterations to the interior and exterior of the building in order to convert it into a restaurant. Staff explained that Charlotte Fire Station Number 4 was sold by the Historic Landmarks Commission with preservation covenants in the deed. Therefore, it has the highest level of protection.

MR. BENSON PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MS. COOTS THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION THAT IT ISSUE THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR CHARLOTTE FIRE STATION NUMBER 4, 427 WEST FIFTH STREET, CHARLOTTE, N.C. AND APPROVE THE PLANS INCLUDED IN THE APPLICATION WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT FIXTURES IN THE BATHROOMS WILL BE REARRANGED AND THAT THE STAIRS ON THE NORTH ELEVATION OF THE KITCHEN ADDITION WILL BE REVERSED. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION.

Special Note: The applicant must obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness from both the Historic Landmarks Commission and the Charlotte Historic Districts Commission. The Commission's policy on historic landmarks in historic districts states that the HLC must be made aware of the Historic Districts Commission's recommendation before the HLC votes on whether to issue its Certificate of Appropriateness. The Committee will request

that the Commission waive this policy in this instance and take action at the May 2016 meeting. Otherwise, because of meeting schedules, the HLC will not be able to take action until the August 2016 meeting. The applicant understands that the Historic District Commission might issue a Certificate of Appropriateness that differs from that issued by the HLC.

5. Old Business. There was no old business.

The Committee discussed an issue which has arisen concerning the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Philip Carey Building. Specifically, the plans presented with the application did not depict the location or scale of the mechanical equipment on the roof of the building. Hereafter, applicants will be required to show all new building elements in the plans submitted with the application.

6. New Business. There was no new business.

The Committee adjourned at 9:25 a.m.