

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION
Design Review Committee Minutes
Location: 2100 Randolph Road, Charlotte, NC
March 29, 2017
Time: 8:01 – 9:17 a.m.**

Present:

**Mr. Louis Asbury
Mr. Matthew Benson
Ms. Joy Bunch
Mr. Joe Elliott
Mr. David Gieser
Ms. Laura Hoover
Mr. Victor Jones
Mr. Len Norman, HLC Chair
Mr. Kenneth Pursley, Design Review Com. Chair
Dan L. Morrill, HLC Consulting Director
Mr. Stewart Gray, HLC Preservation Planner
Ms. Elizabeth Stuart, HLC Administrative Assistant
Ms. Mary Lynn Morrill, HLC Recording Consultant**

Absent:

**Ms. Jennifer Coots
Mr. Michael Rogers
Mr. John Shurley
Mr. Ken Pursley, Design Review Com. Chair**

Visitors:

**Mr. Alan Davidson, Thrift Mill
Mr. Justin Smith, Thrift Mill
Mr. Greg Perry, Craig House
Mr. David Thompson, Thrift Mill
Mr. Lee Holloway, Thrift Mill
Mr. Reed Kracke, Nebel Mill
Mr. Adam McGuire, Nebel Mill**

Vice Chair's Report: Joe Elliott

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

Consulting Director's Report: Dan Morrill

Dr. Morrill expressed his appreciation for each member's service on the Committee. He stated that the Commission uses the Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines to determine the appropriateness or inappropriateness of proposed alterations to historic landmarks.

Preservation Planner's Report: Stewart Gray

Mr. Gray had no report.

1. Consideration of an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Thrift Mill, 8400 Moores Chapel Road, Charlotte, N.C.

Dr. Morrill explained that State Enabling legislation stipulates that the Commission can only delay the effective date of a Certificate of Appropriateness for demolition for up to 365 days from the date of issuance.

The Committee discussed the proposed demolitions at length.

Mr. Lee Holloway, the owner of the Thrift Mill, stated that he had been unable to secure a buyer for the property. He also explained that the City of Charlotte was requiring repairs to the Thrift Mill, which were cost prohibitive. Mr. Marty Taylor, a City of Charlotte Code Enforcement Officer, stated that portions of the Thrift Mill were in violation of the City Building Code and that, consequently, they must be repaired or demolished. Other portions of the Thrift Mill, he reported, required repair.

Mr. Alan Davidson, representing Davidson Transportation Marketing Incorporated, a prospective buyer, stated that his company would be interested in exploring the possibility of retaining Building One, as depicted on the site plan.

MR. PIENKNY PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. NORMAN THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION THAT IT APPROVE WITHOUT DELAY THE DEMOLITION OF ALL BUILDINGS AT THE THRIFT MILL, 8400 MOORES CHAPEL ROAD, CHARLOTTE, N.C., WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BUILDING SIX AND BUILDING ONE AS DEPICTED ON THE SITE PLAN AND DELAY THE DEMOLITION OF THE AFORESIAD BUILDING SIX AND BUILDING ONE FOR 365 DAYS FROM THE ISSUANCE DATE OF THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLYH APPROVED THE MOTION.

2. Consideration of an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Nebel Knitting Mill, 101 Worthington Avenue, Charlotte, N.C.

The applicant is seeking approval for material alterations to the interior and the exterior the Nebel Knitting Mill, including new door openings into the courtyard and adjacent alley, and new door openings in an existing interior wall, and complete demolition of the concrete floor.

The Committee discussed the plan.

MR. BENSON PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. PIENKNY THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION THAT IT APPROVE THE PLANS AS PRESENTED FOR THE NEBEL KNITTING MILL, 101 WORTHINGTON AVENUE, CHARLOTTE, N.C., WITH THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS: 1) THAT THE PROPOSED KIOSK IN THE COURTYARD NOT BE INCLUDED IN THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS, AND 2) THAT THE PROPOSED TILE NOT BE ALLOWED. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION.

3. Consideration of a Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Craig House, 900 Ardsley Road, Charlotte, N.C.

The applicant is seeking approval to reconfigure an existing concrete and masonry patio located between the house and the garage, and to add an open shelter.

The Committee discussed the plan.

MR. GIERSER PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. ASBURY THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION THAT IT APPROVE THE PLANS AS PRESENTED FOR THE CRAIG HOUSE, 900 ARDSLEY ROAD, CHARLOTTE, N.C. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION.

Old Business. There was no old business.

New Business. There was no new business.

The Committee adjourned at 9:25 a.m.