

**CITY OF COVINGTON**  
**Covington Historic District Commission**  
**Minutes**  
**August 11, 2020**  
**5:30PM**

**CHDC Members**

PETER LINK – CHAIRMAN  
PEGGY DESJARDINS  
SEYMON “WINDY” HARTZOG  
LISA CONDREY WARD  
STEPHANIE BOYLES

**Staff**

NAHKETAH BAGBY, CITY PLANNER  
JULIAN “ROD” RODRIGUE, CITY ATTORNEY  
JOANN RUCKER, SECRETARY  
BOB MOEINIAN, CITY ENGINEER  
CHRISTOPHER BROWN, BUILDING OFFICIAL

**THE COMPLIANCE WITH PHASE 2 OF GOVERNOR EDWARDS REOPENING OF THE STATE PRACTICING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND RECOMMENDING FACE MASK TO BE WORN IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER WAS ENFORCED DURING THIS MEETING.**

Commissioner Link called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Roll Call:**

- **Members Present:** Commissioner Stephanie Boyles, Commissioner Lisa Ward, Commissioner Peter Link, Commissioner Windy Hartzog and Commissioner Peggy DesJardin
- **Members Absent:** None
- **Staff Present:** Nahketah Bagby-*Planning & Zoning Director* and JoAnn Rucker, *Secretary*

Commissioner Boyles made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 09, 2020 CHDC Meeting. Commissioner DesJardins seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a voice vote 5-0.

**CASES:**

**1. Case# 20-08-11CHDC - Request:** An application for a certificate of appropriateness for the material alteration for the installation of a new shed at the City of Covington’s Water Tower located on N. Theard St. between 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 26<sup>th</sup> Ave. adjacent to the Old Fire House at 432 N. Theard St. near Sq. 11 Frac Div. of St. John -Covington, Louisiana.

**Petitioner:** City of Covington –Amy Tucker (Facilities Director)

**Owner:** City of Covington

Ms. Amy Tucker, City of Covington led the discussion.

Commissioner DesJardins made a motion to approve Case # 20-08-11CHDC. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:**

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| Peter Link        | Yes |
| Peggy DesJardins  | Yes |
| Windy Hartzog     | Yes |
| Lisa Condrey Ward | Yes |
| Stephanie Boyles  | Yes |

**2. Case# 20-08-12CHDC- Request:** An application for a certificate of appropriateness for material alterations for the property located at 138 N. New Hampshire Street Covington, LA in the Division of St. John Sq. 4 lots 12, 13, 14 and 15. The proposal includes a rear entrance foyer adjacent to the driveway on the left side of the home and to the rear a laundry space that will be used as an area for the owners' pets and as a home office.

In addition, the location of A/C units in the back of the house may be shifting slightly. This is a new a work item.

**Note:** This case was originally approved at the CHDC's May 14, 2019 Meeting as Case Number 19-05-18CHDC. The certificate of appropriateness that was issued has expired. A certificate of appropriateness shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance to the construction start date.

**Petitioner:** Matthew Voelkel

**Owner:** Leslie Collins and Douglas Draper

**Mr. Matthew Voelkel** led the discussion stating that everything is exactly the same on this case Approved on May 14, 2019 by the CHDC Commission. The case approval was valid for one year and that time had passed. Mr. Voelkel added that a new air conditioners will be replaced but will be put in the exact places where the old ones are now.

**Mrs. Bagby, City Planner** made a brief statement.

**Commissioner DesJardin** made a motion to approve Case # 20-08-12CHDC. **Commissioner Boyles** seconded the motion.

**Roll Call:**

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| Peter Link        | Yes |
| Peggy DesJardins  | Yes |
| Windy Hartzog     | Yes |
| Lisa Condrey Ward | Yes |
| Stephanie Boyles  | Yes |

**Other Business:**

A discussion concerning the during the discussion some of the Commissioners stated, that the sign in question is abandoned or obsolete and should have been removed years ago. A few years ago the CHDC was on campaign to have abandoned or obsolete removed.

When you arrived the discussion that was in progress centered on the following:

- The need to be update the Historic District Guidelines which were approved in 2012.
- The sign requirements for new private directional signs. See below from the code:
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**There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:38pm.**