

City of Alamo Heights

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

MINUTES

September 16, 2014

The Architectural Review Board held its regularly scheduled meeting at the City of Alamo Heights *temporary offices located at 1248 Austin Hwy, Suite 220* on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.

Members present and composing a quorum of the Board:

John Gaines, Vice Chair

Al Honigblum

Phil Solomon

Grant McFarland

Mike McGlone

Members absent:

Paul Fagan, Chair

Mary Bartlett

Staff present:

Lety Hernandez, Planner

David Harris, Interim Director

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gaines at 5:34 p.m.

Mr. Honigblum moved to approve the minutes of August 19, 2014 as presented, seconded by Mr. Solomon. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Honigblum, McFarland, McGlone, Solomon

AGAINST: None

Mr. Honigblum moved to take up Case No. 556F as the first case, seconded by Mr. Solomon. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Gaines, Honigblum, McFarland, Solomon

AGAINST: None

Case No. 556 F Request of Malcolm Chesney, Architect, applicant, representing Frost Bank, owner, for the design review of the proposed addition to the existing structure at 110 Austin Hwy.

Mr. Harris presented the case. Mr. Chesney stated there were no changes to the project from what was presented in the August meeting.

Mr. Honigblum moved to approve the case as presented, seconded by Mr. McFarland. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Gaines, Honigblum, McFarland, Solomon
AGAINST: None

Mr. McGlone arrived at the meeting and joined quorum at 5:45 p.m.

Case No. 554 F Request of Artisans at Work, applicant, representing Sybil Chenault, owner, for the significance and compatibility review of the proposed replacement structure at 123 Alta Ave under Demolition Review Ordinance No. 1860 (April 12, 2010) in order to demolish 47% of the street-facing front façade.

Mr. Harris presented the case to the Board. The Board and the applicant discussed the project.

Mr. McGlone moved to approve the case as presented with the following changes: the roof slope on the proposed entry/central porch gable be changed to match the slope of the existing house and that the plate lines be consistent between the porch, the front/central porch gable, and the existing structure. Motion seconded by Mr. Mc Farland. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Honigblum, McFarland, McGlone, Solomon
AGAINST: None

Case No. 555 F Request of Don B. McDonald, Architect, applicant, for the significance review of the structure located at 210 Crescent St under Demolition Review Ordinance No. 1860 (April 12, 2010) in order to demolish 100% of the existing main structure.

Mr. Harris presented the case to the Board. Mr. McDonald answered questions of the Board.

Mr. Honigblum moved to declare no significance and approve demolition of Case No. 555F, seconded by Mr. McFarland. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Honigblum, McFarland, McGlone, Solomon
AGAINST: None

Case No. 557F Request of Professional Building Solutions, LLC, applicant, representing Dirago Properties, owner, for the significance and compatibility review of the proposed replacement structure at 270 E Elmview Place under Demolition Review Ordinance No. 1860 (April 12, 2010) in order to demolish 100% of the existing main structure.

Mr. Harris presented the case and the applicant, Adrian Lamas, answered questions from the Board. The Board expressed some concern about the compatibility of the proposed structure. Three neighbors to the project spoke in opposition to the proposed replacement structure: Janis Yanez, 280 E Elmview; JoAnn Ware, 269 E Elmview; John Furr, 279 E Elmview.

The applicant requested that the Board consider separating significance and compatibility.

Mr. Honigblum moved to separate significance and compatibility, declare no significance and approve demolition of Case No. 557F, and continuance of the compatibility issue until revised plans are submitted and reviewed, seconded by Mr. McGlone. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Honigblum, McFarland, McGlone, Solomon
AGAINST: None

Case No. 553 F Request of Highlights Electric, applicant, representing Amegy Bank, owner, for installation of additional exterior lighting fixtures at 5408 Broadway St under Chapter 2 Administration for Architectural Review.

Mr. Harris stated that the applicant requested this item be moved to the October meeting so he would have time to submit additional information on this project.

Mr. McGlone moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m., seconded by Mr. McFarland. The motion was approved with the following vote:

FOR: Honigblum, McFarland, McGlone, Solomon
AGAINST: None

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John Gaines, Vice Chair

10/21/14
Date Signed & Filed


David Harris
Interim Director
Community Development Services