

The regular meeting of the Conway Historic District Commission was held Monday, March 25, 2019 in Conway City Hall. The following members, being a quorum, were present and acting: David Carolina, George Covington, Sr., Shelby Fiegel, Steve Hurd, Taylor Martin, and Emily Walter. Gerald Tosh was absent.

Minutes from the February 2019 meeting were approved 6-0 on a motion made by George Covington, Sr. and seconded by Taylor Martin.

## **I. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **A. Robinson Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness review – renovation and addition to 1621 Robinson Ave.**

Rik Sowell [Sowell Architects], 1315 North Street, presented the request on behalf of the applicant. Also present was applicant/property owner, Jenny Davis. Mr. Sowell described the location and design of the two proposed additions and noted that the applicant would like to paint the brick façade as it is unlikely that a matching brick will be found. He then reviewed aloud and addressed each of the staff recommended conditions. He explained the low roof pitch as the reason for proposed metal roofing on the rear porch addition. Mrs. Davis noted that it is her plan to replace the missing sidewalk along Robinson St. James Walden, Director of Planning, clarified that he realized that the front walkway, from the street to the house, was individual rocks and not broken concrete and that the applicant could repair or replace if desired, but that it was not required.

Neighborhood Discussion:

In favor: None

Opposed: None

Commission Discussion:

Steve Hurd addressed the request to paint the brick. He encouraged the blending of a new brick, in a coordinating color, with the existing brick in lieu of painting all the brick façade. The removal of the two trees at the northwest corner of the property was discussed and agreed to. The applicant is aware that replacement canopy trees must be planted for any removed.

Request approved, with conditions as listed below, 6-0 on a motion made by Shelby Fiegel and seconded by Emily Walter.

Conditions:

1. No existing or new brick façade materials may be painted.
2. Two window openings, consistent with the window form of the other windows on the west elevation, are required on the west elevation of the new addition. Windows may be single openings.
3. The walkway between the front of the house and Robinson Avenue may be repaired/replaced.
4. Applicant is encouraged to replace the sidewalk along Robinson Avenue.
5. Two street canopy trees along Robinson Avenue are required. The existing Oak tree at the north property line may be removed.
6. Three new street canopy trees are required along Ash Street.
7. A landscaping plan is required, detailing planting locations for street canopy trees and other planned plantings.
8. The existing fence may be repaired/replaced with in-kind materials.
9. HVAC and utility equipment shall be appropriately located at the rear or side of the structure and/or appropriately screened.
10. The applicant will provide revised plans to the Planning Director for review and approval prior to issuance of building permits.

## II. DISCUSSION

### A. Remaining 2018 CLG Grant Funds

James Walden recapped the current status of the remaining CLG Grant Funds. He shared the quotes received for printing the Robinson Historic District Guidelines and the design of the custom USB drives. The Commission was in favor of proceeding with the quotes as presented.