



**York Historical Architectural Review Board
Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2015**

Members in attendance included; Dennis Kunkle, Vice Chair; Justine Landis; Mark Shermeyer; W. Craig Zumbrun; Robin Pottorff (6:07pm)

Absent: Matt Argabright; John Fox, Chair; Teresa Johnescu; Dave Redshaw

Consultant: Mary Alfson Tinsman, JMT Cultural Resource Manager/ HARB Consultant

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RESULT
Welcome and call to order Dennis Kunkle, Vice Chair	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The agenda had been prepared by City Staff.	A quorum was present.
Changes to the Agenda	There were no changes to the agenda.	
Minutes of June 11 2015		Move to approve by Mr. Zumbrun; seconded by Mr. Kunkle. Approved.
Cases	The following cases are approved with the recommended actions.	

Case #1 – 625 S. George Street

The proposed work includes the installation of temporary ADA ramps at the front and side of the property at 635 S. George Street. A temporary ramp will be installed on the porch at the front entrance and will provide access from the entryway to the porch level. A second temporary ramp will be installed on the south side of the building and will provide access from the porch level to the ground level. For installation of the second ramp, a curb on the south side of the building will be demolished and the ground will be leveled.

Discussion: Mr. Shermeyer asked why the proposed work was temporary. The Applicant explained that the use of the building may change in the future and that there may be a need for better or different access. Mr. Zumbrun asked how the ramps will be attached to the building. The Applicant explained that one ramp will sit on the concrete sidewalk and the other will sit on the porch. They will not be attached to the building.

Motion: On a motion by Mr. Zumbrun, seconded by Ms. Landis, the Board voted 5 to 0 to approve the application. Additional discussion clarified that the application was approved due to the removable nature of the project.

Case #2 – 205 N. George Street

The applicant was represented by Mr. Joe Musso. Mr. Musso explained the building will be used by a software company that is moving to York. The building was constructed in 1984 and has sat vacant for the last years. The applicant proposes to replace all of existing windows with new aluminum-clad wood casement windows in the existing window openings. The applicant proposes to remove three existing garage doors in the rear of the property and replace them with new 5' by 6' aluminum-clad wood casement windows so that the space can be converted to a conference room. . Additionally, a pedestrian door on the north side of the garage will be removed and replaced with an aluminum-clad wood casement window. The windows will be Anderson wood clad windows.

Discussion: Mr. Shermeyer asked for clarification on the windows. Mr. Musso explained that the arches will remain. The center window will be a crank out casement window.

Motion: On a motion by Mr. Zumbrun, seconded by Mr. Shermeyer, the Board voted 5 to 0 to approve the application. Additional discussion clarified that the application was approved due to the non-historic nature of the building and the fact that it is not contextually significant or contributing to the district.

Case #3 – 1 W Market Street

Mark Shermeyer recused himself from the Board for this application as he was representing the applicant (People's Bank). Mr. Shermeyer explained that the application being presented is work on the George Street façade of the building, which is the non-historic part of the façade dating from the 1980s. The applicant proposes to install a new storefront entrance to be created in an existing storefront window which faces N. George Street. The new storefront and storefront doors will be of aluminum in a dark bronze color to match the existing storefronts in the building. Additional modifications include a new 1:20 maximum slope ramp to a new single step stoop at the entrance, and the installation of a 4-foot tall planter to be painted dark bronze at the north side of the new stoop. The plan is to make the planters out of metal to represent the industrial nature of York. There will also be outdoor dining - the owners of Café Fresco (Harrisburg) are opening a restaurant called "Iron Horse" in York which will provide more sophisticated dining.

Discussion: Mr. Zumbrun asked if the other doors will be replaced. Mr. Shermeyer indicated that they will not be replaced at this time. Mr. Zumbrun asked for details on the proposed signage. Mr. Shermeyer provided historic photos of the building showing what was traditionally on the building. He explained that the owner wants to do a yellow and red color scheme (which are the banks colors). He indicated that the existing awnings were not part of the building historically and they are proposing louvered metal canopies over the windows with back-lit signage. The corner entrance would have a glass canopy with backlit letter rebranding the building "1 West."

Mr. Kunkle asked for clarification as to what current features are original. Mr. Shermeyer indicated that the brick is original but that the cornice is from the 1980s. He further explained that if features such as the awnings were originally they would be retained, but since they are not original the applicant is proposing a context sensitive awning. The design is based on what could be done in a cost effective manner that still fit the historic and evolution of the building.

Mr. Shermeyer also explained that the applicant will be proposing to bring the glass areas and the corner entrance on the front of the building out to the face of the building. Inside the restaurant will be on right and the business entrance will be on the left. The existing escalator area will be used as a glassed in private dining area. He indicated that this is not part of the current approval request.

Motion: Ms. Pottorff made a motion to approve the application as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kunkle.

Further Discussion:

Discussion: Mr. Shermeyer asked for clarification if the entire concept was being approved as presented. Ms. Pottorff indicated that yes, the motion was for the approval of the entire concept. Mr. Shermeyer indicated that if any significant changes occurred the application would be brought back to the Board.

Motion: The Board voted 5 to 0 to approve the application.

Adjourning and next meeting **A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Zumbrun. Mr. Kunkle seconded. All in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday July 9, 2015.**

Minutes recorded by Mary Alfson Tinsman, JMT Cultural Resource Professional/ HARB Consultant.