



**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Darrel Eisenhardt at 5:30 p.m. through Zoom Meetings. Aldermanic Representative Susan Kott; Commissioners Frank Capra; and Steve Wagner were present. Commissioners Ken Morrison; Bernard Petersen; and Student Representative Morgan Cole were excused. Gregory Guidry, Building Inspector was also present.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Aldermanic Representative Kott moved, and Commissioner Capra seconded to approve the minutes of October 22, 2020.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. To consider approving a Sign Permit application from Joel Venn of First Call Heating and Cooling for property located at 340 N. Pine Street, Suite 3 to install a blade sign.

- Chairman Eisenhardt introduced and opened this item for discussion.
- Gregory Guidry, Building Inspector, explained the sign size, location, and letters meet all requirements, and the coloring are the logo colors.
- Chairman Eisenhardt questioned what the status was for the pending item. Commissioner Wagner explained plastic signs are not permitted unless the sign simulates a historic sign. Gregory Guidry responded this particular sign has a wood grain look to it, which gives a historic appearance.
- Aldermanic Representative Kott asked if the applicant is using the upstairs, and if he was just running a service business out of it. Joel Venn, applicant, answered yes the upstairs is being used for the office, but the main location is located in Racine. Mr. Venn stated there has to be a physical address for search engines, and to be able to meet with clients if requested.

- Commissioner Capra asked if the white background of the sign was part of the logo. Mr. Venn replied yes the white background matches the trucks and helps the blue and red stand out.
- Aldermanic Representative Kott questioned Mr. Guidry and Commissioner Wagner if they felt comfortable with the plastic sign. Mr. Guidry and Commissioner Wagner both agreed there were no issues with the sign.
- There were no further comments.
- Commissioner Wagner moved, and Commissioner Capra seconded to approve the Sign Permit.

All were in favor and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Review of Façade Grant Funding Status.

- Chairman Eisenhardt introduced and opened this item for discussion.
- Chairman Eisenhardt stated grant money was disbursed to two businesses. Chairman Eisenhardt further stated Teacher Place and Trendsetters have until 2021 to complete their projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wagner moved, and Aldermanic Representative Kott seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Recording Secretary,

Kristine Anderson
Administrative Assistant