

Landmark Preservation Board Thursday, March 5, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Common Council Chambers

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Don Radke called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

# ROLL CALL

Members Present: Tom Cantwell, Cynthia Carter, Bob Haley, Dan Leary, Julia Marshall, Don Radke, Jeff Romano, Lisa Tonzi

Absent: none

Staff: Kate Auwaerter

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

J. Marshall made a motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2020, which was seconded by J. Romano. The minutes were approved unanimously as submitted.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

CA-20-03 311 Farmer Street. K. Auwaerter reported that a subcommittee consisting of L. Tonzi, C. Carter and T. Cantwell had visited Ryan Windows & Doors to compare samples of the Marvin Ultimate aluminum-clad, wood window to the Marvin Integrity Ultrex fiberglass window. The subcommittee members agreed that the proposed aluminum-clad window appeared to match most closely the original windows at 311 Farmer Street. K. Auwaerter stated that she had spoken to the owners regarding an all-wood window with a factory-painted finish. The owners stated that they had considered long-term maintenance of the windows, which is why they had selected the aluminum-clad instead of the painted wood windows. D. Leary expressed his concern that by allowing aluminum-cladding, the Board would be opening up a precedent that could lead to the use of other cladding materials, such as vinyl. B. Haley stated that appearance was key in this application and he noted that the proposed windows are wood and metal, both of which are materials that are historically appropriate. He emphasized that every decision is on a case-by-case basis. D. Radke agreed, noting that the first hurdle remains whether or not the subject windows can be repaired. In this case, because of the damage done to the existing windows, repair of the windows would be difficult at best with no guarantee that the repair would be effective. L. Tonzi made a motion to approve the application to replace 23 wood-sash windows with aluminum-clad wood, double-hung sash inserts (Marvin Ultimate sash inserts). The new window sash will match the muntin pattern (6-over-6) and color (white) of the original windows. The muntins will be 7/8" and exterior applied. The motion was seconded by C. Carter and was approved on a majority vote. D. Leary voted no.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

CA-20-04 226 Brattle Road. Sylvia Sheret (applicant) presented an application to replace 25 vinyl replacement windows with new, 6-over-1, fiberglass, double-hung sash windows with 7/8"exterior-applied muntins. She noted that this was the same window (Marvin Integrity) that the Board had approved for the second-story bathroom window and for the living room.

J. Romano made a motion to approve the application as submitted, which was seconded by J. Marshall. The motion passed with a majority vote. C. Carter abstained because she is related to the applicant.

CA-20-05 362 South Salina Street. Jamie Williams (Holmes King Kallquist Architects) presented the application for a new marquee at the Landmark Theatre. The existing marquee was installed c. 1960 using the

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framework of the original 1928 marquee. The box marquee consists of rectangular panels with a magnetic lettering system. The low clearance of the marquee above the sidewalk makes it susceptible to impact damage by delivery trucks. The front (east) panel is now so deteriorated that it is no longer used and covered by a large banner.

The new marquee will match closely the original, 1928 marquee in scale, form and color. It will reuse the original steel framework and will included a curved ceiling and front panel that provide greater clearance from the sidewalk making it less likely to be damaged. The new marquee will feature digital display panels on the north and south facing sides, tracer lights under the curved ceiling to match the original, and a new roof membrane and flashing. The sign panels surmounting the south and north digital panels will include the word "Landmark"; the front (east) side of the marquee will feature a surmounted sign panel with the words "Syracuse Landmark". There will be a separate digital display panel above the entrance matching the original lit display panel.

In discussion, L. Tonzi asked if the ticket booth is part of the rehabilitation, which J. Williams confirmed will be restored. B. Haley made a motion to approve the application as submitted, which was seconded by J. Romano. The motion passed on a majority vote. J. Marshall abstained because Holmes King Kallquist is her employer.

# **DISCUSSION**

Rehabilitation Project Discussion: 217 Highland Avenue. K. Auwaerter explained that the owner asked to postpone the discussion until the next meeting. This item was tabled until the March 19, 2020 meeting.

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.