

## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MINUTES

June 5, 2024

6:30 p.m.

50 Natoma Street

Folsom, California 95630

### CALL TO ORDER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION:

A regular meeting of the Historic District Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Chair Kathy Cole presiding.

### ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: John Felts, Commissioner  
Mark Dascallos, Commissioner  
Ralph Peña, Commissioner  
Jennifer Cabrera, Commissioner  
Daniel West, Commissioner  
Kathy Cole, Chair

Commissioners Absent: John Lane, Vice Chair

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

NONE

### MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 1, 2024, meeting were approved.

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### 1. DRCL24-00111: 706 Orange Grove Way, Deck and Patio Demolition Project and Determination that the Project is Exempt from CEQA

A Public Meeting to consider a request from Lynda Seymour for approval of a Demolition Permit for the demolition of a rear yard deck and patio cover located at a single-family residence at 706 Orange Grove Way. The zoning classification for the site is R-1-M (Single-Family, Small Lot District) while the General Plan land-use designation is SFHD (Single-Family, High Density). The property is located within the Central Subarea of the Historic Residential Primary Area of the Historic District. The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. **(Project Planner: Nathan Stroud / Applicant: Lynda Seymour)**

COMMISSIONER DASCALLOS MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION (DRCL24-00111) FOR A DEMOLITION PERMIT FOR THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING REAR YARD DECK AND PATIO COVER LOCATED AT A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE AT 706 ORANGE GROVE WAY, AS SHOWN ON ATTACHMENT 6, BASED ON THE FINDINGS INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT (FINDINGS A-G) AND SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL (CONDITIONS 1-6).

COMMISSIONER FELTS SECONDED THE MOTION.

The Motion carried the following roll call vote:

AYES: FELTS, DASCALLOS, PEÑA, CABRERA, WEST, COLE  
NOES: NONE  
RECUSED: NONE  
ABSENT: LANE

MOTION PASSED

**2. DRCL24-00116: 708 ½ Figueroa Street Modifications and Determination that the Project is Exempt from CEQA**

A Public Meeting to consider a request from Christina Moore for approval of a Design Review application for modifications to an approved two-story structure containing an 833-square-foot garage and an 848-square-foot Accessory Dwelling Unit at 708 ½ Figueroa Street. The zoning classification for the site is R-2 (Two-Family Residence) while the General Plan land-use designation is MLD (Multi-Family, Low Density). The property is located within the Figueroa Subarea of the Historic Residential Primary Area of the Historic District. The project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. (Project Planner: Josh Kinkade / Applicant: Christina Moore)

COMMISSIONER WEST MOVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION (DRCL24-00116) FOR DESIGN REVIEW FOR MODIFICATIONS TO AN APPROVED TWO-STORY STRUCTURE CONTAINING AN 833-SQUARE-FOOT GARAGE AND AN 848-SQUARE-FOOT ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT AT 708 ½ FIGUEROA STREET, AS ILLUSTRATED ON ATTACHMENT 5 FOR THE 708 ½ FIGUEROA STREET MODIFICATIONS PROJECT, BASED ON THE FINDINGS INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT (FINDINGS A-J) AND SUBJECT TO THE ATTACHED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL (CONDITIONS 1-15).

COMMISSIONER DASCALLOS SECONDED THE MOTION.

The Motion carried the following roll call vote:

AYES: FELTS, DASCALLOS, PEÑA, CABRERA, WEST, COLE  
NOES: NONE  
RECUSED: NONE  
ABSENT: LANE

MOTION PASSED

**PUBLIC WORKSHOP**

**3. SPEC24-00157: Neon Signs in the Historic District**

A public workshop to discuss the prohibition on neon open/closed signs and City enforcement given local business desire for more visibility in the District. The workshop is not a project under Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. (Project Planner: Desmond Parrington)

1. Joshua Thompson is a merchant in the Historic District and is in support of neon signs to help inform clients the business is open for business.
2. Michelle Asnicar is a merchant in the Historic District and is in support of the neon signs to help identify when businesses are open.

3. Lisa and Jose Gomez are in support of the Historic District allowing neon signs but feels there should be an update to the ordinance on what type of signs are allowed.
4. Don Sherwood feels the City needs to allow all businesses to be treated equally when allowing neon signs.

THE COMMISSION ASKED STAFF TO RETURN WITH UPDATED INFORMATION BECAUSE THE COMMISSION WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADDITIONAL ALTERNATIVES, WITH REGARD TO SIZE AND STYLE THAT MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE IN THE HISTORIC DISTRICT.

### **PRINCIPAL PLANNER REPORT**


Planning Manager Desmond Parrington reported that the next Historic District Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 7, 2024.

**Planning Manager Desmond Parrington provided an update on the following items:**

- There was only 1 reroof handled by staff on Persifer Street
- The City hired Jessica Brandt as principal planner given Steve Banks recent retirement. Jessica has over 20 years of experience in planning in our region
- There will be no HDC meeting on July 3<sup>rd</sup>
- The next meeting will be on August 7<sup>th</sup>
- As a reminder, there will be a joint workshop on the River District Master Plan with the Planning Commission and Parks & Recreation Commission on Tuesday, July 30
- New Building and Engineering fees will go into effect on August 1
- On July 24, the Planning Commission and on August 27 the City Council will consider amendments to the City's General Plan to implement the Housing Element

There being no further business to come before the Folsom Historic District Commission, Chair Kathy Cole adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



8/7/24

Karen Sanabria, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

**APPROVED:**



Kathy Cole, CHAIR