Minutes of the October 15, 2020, meeting of the Washington Historic Preservation Commission.

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. via Zoom.

Members present: Dan Bagley, Brent Goken, Walter Ruppman, Nancy Silverthorn, and Leri Slonneger

Members absent: Mary Kerr, Dan Phillips

Also present: Ray Forsythe, Jon Oliphant, Curt Reynolds

Ms. Slonneger made a motion to approve the October 6, 2020, Commission meeting minutes. Second by Mr. Ruppman. Motion approved 5-0.

Two New Business items were on the agenda: 1) The review of a Certificate of Appropriateness request from Curt Reynolds (Brunk's Sports Center) for the placement of new projecting signs and exterior lighting at 122 N. Main Street. Mr. Reynolds has proposed adding four goosehead LED lights spread evenly on the side of the façade above the Walldogs mural that was painted earlier in the summer. The lights were previously proposed to be on the upper front façade. Three lantern-style lights would be placed on the lower façade where similar lights were previously located. The Washington Historical Society offered its support for the lights near the mural to provide light that is not currently in place. The Commission was supportive of the move of the lights to the side of the building. Mr. Goken made a motion to approve the lights and Ms. Slonneger seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

Two smaller projecting signs advertising Brunk's and Brandi's Bees will be on the southern and northern portions of the façade respectively. The Brunk's sign is proposed to be 20"x60" and be somewhat similar in appearance to the Phillips, Salmi & Associates sign. The Brandi's Bees sign would be round and be 3' in diameter. It would be internally illuminated with LED and just provide light for the logo without casting light. Mr. Reynolds brought an example of the Brandi's sign (without the finished logo, which was provided as a graphic) for the Commission to see. The Commission felt that the signs would provide necessary identification of the businesses without being overwhelming and out of character. Mr. Ruppman motioned and Mr. Goken seconded to approve the signs. Motion approved 5-0.

2) A Certificate of Appropriateness request of WRC to replace its existing wall signage with new signage to reflect its partnership with ReMax. Two photos taken in 1959 provided an idea about the long-standing history of cut lettering on the façade of the building. The red and blue paint color would be slightly modernized to match the color specs of ReMax. The font and lettering size for the sign is intended to be similar to the existing signage. Mr. Goken made a motion to approve the sign and Ms. Slonneger seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:52 pm. The next meeting date will be at a time and location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Oliphant