MINUTES CITY OF AMES HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Date: March 12, 2018	Kim Hanna, Chairperson	2019
	Jason Dietzenbach, Vice Chairperson	2018
Call to Order: 6:00 PM	Peter Hallock	2018
	Lisa Hovis	2018
Place: Ames City Hall Council Chambers	*Ted Grevstad-Nordbrock	2019
	Edith Hunter	2020
Adjournment: 6:11 PM	*Barry Snell	2020
	[*Absent]	

CALL TO ORDER: Kim Hanna, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: (Hallock/Dietzenbach) to approve the Agenda for the meeting of March 12, 2018.

MOTION PASSED: (5-0)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2018:

MOTION: (Hovis/Hallock) to approve the Minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2018.

MOTION PASSED: (5-0)

PUBLIC FORUM: There were no public comments.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 307 8TH STREET (WINDOWS)

Eloise Sahlstrom, Planner, explained the property is a one and a half story house that has the Bungalow/Craftsman architectural style and the request is for a Certificate of Appropriateness. The applicant wants to change out a window that is on the east side of the house. She referred the Commission to their packet which shows the front of the house and pointed out which window is being requested to change due to remodeling. Ms. Sahlstrom stated that the original window includes two wide double hung windows and would like to replace it with two double wide hung windows and the only difference is the applicant would like to shorten the window 8 % inches while the top will maintain the current height and will be shortened on the bottom. They are proposing would reuse the exterior window frame and casing to maintain the design and style of the house. The proposed void under the window will be filled with matching profiled wood siding, painted to match the existing color.

Ms. Sahlstrom noted that this property is in the Historic Preservation Overlay District along with the Single Family Conservation Overlay District. The house was built in the 1930's and is known for its distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques. She stated that staff is recommending approval for the Certificate of Appropriateness.

Mr. Hallock stated he walked by the house before the meeting and the existing window is shorter than the ones on the front, it will be a little shorter but will not change the pattern on the side of the house and feels it would be appropriate to approve.

Mr. Dietzenbach asked the contractor if the siding would be the same. The contractor stated that they will maintain the same style as what is currently on there.

MOTION: (Hallock/Hunter) The Historic Preservation Commission can issue a Certificate of Appropriateness to allow the proposed alteration to replace one set of two double-hung windows on the east façade (in the kitchen area) of the house at 307 8th Street, if the Commission finds that the project, as proposed by the applicant, complies with all relevant Design Guidelines in Section 31.13(13) and Design Criteria of Section 31.14(1) (b) of the Ames Municipal Code.

MOTION PASSED: (5-0)

COMMISSION COMMENTS: Ms. Hanna wanted to thank Jason Dietzenbach for his six years with the Commission as they appreciated his assistance and feedback. Mr. Dietzenbach stated that he is on the plaque program and he is on the sub-committee with the Ames Historical Society and Ames Main Street Cultural district and he would like someone from the commission to be a liaison to help. Ms. Hunter stated she would be happy to be a liaison. Mr. Hallock stated that he wanted to note that since the previous minutes stated they were going to soliciting proposals for the awards program and that the Commission did check and they were no nominations for the Historic Preservation Award this year. Mr. Dietzenbach wanted to know the status of the website for the goals and objectives to be completed. Ms. Hanna stated that is something that will probably have to be addressed when Mr. Anderson is back. It was noted that the website discussion was tabled until Mr. Anderson and Mr. Grevstad-Nordbrock were available. Ms. Hunter stated that with the current project she is working on for her grad school is the Morris farm which was involuntarily annexed into Ames and became Parkview Heights neighborhood. She will be putting together a presentation that she would like to present to the Commission.

STAFF COMMENTS: Ms. Sahlstrom stated that they did receive another submittal for another Certificate of Appropriateness for the same structure to modify the garage and add a porch.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

MOTION: (Dietzenbach/Hovis) to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION PASSED: (5-0)

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 PM.

Kim Hanna, Chairperson

Historic Preservation Commission

Amy L. Colwell, Recording Secretary Department of Planning & Housing