

HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD MINUTES

21420 MAIN STREET N.E., AURORA OR 97002
COUNCIL CHAMBERS MARCH 28 2013

Staff Members Present: Sophia Kuznetsov, Administrative Assistant

Others Present: None

The meeting of March 28, 2013 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Townsend.

Administrative Assistant takes Roll Call

Chairman Karen Townsend – Present
Vice-Chair Gayle Abernathy – Present
Member Bill Simon – Present
Member Merra Frochen – Present
Member Mella Dee Fraser – Present

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the HRB minutes of February 28 2013, with corrections, was made by Merra Frochen, seconded by Bill Simon and passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

VISITORS

Bill Graupp	Aurora	City Council Member
Joseph Schaefer	Aurora	Planning Commission Chair
Kris Sallee	Aurora	Planning Commission Member
Patrick Harris	Aurora	Aurora Colony Historical Society

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion and/or Action of Updating the Historic Guidelines per City Council Request.

a. Review of Title 17 revision

- The members went over the changes that were made to the Sign Section of Title 17. Recommend changes will be made to the revision. Title 17 Signs revisions will be presented at the April 2nd 2013 Planning Commission Meeting.

B. Aurora Historic District Sign Review

- Tabled until further notice

C. Discussion on sign application for Emma Walking Tour throughout the Historic District. Submitted by Aurora Colony Historical Society

- Karen Townsend along with Patrick Harris who is also a part of the Emma Committee sat in the audience during their presentation of the application. She brought another example of the sign with "Emma" in HRB approved font for review; the sign examples that were presented at the February 28, 2013 meeting had the "Emma" in cursive font.
- The members asked if the applicants have a preference on whether or not they use Emma's signature which is in cursive font and not on the approved font list. The applicants wanted to present a couple different options including one with Emma Geisey's signature for the board to review; they are leaving the decision up to the board.
- The sign with the approved font is clearer for the tourists to see when they are doing the tour, and were in agreement to use reverse lettering the number in white font in a blue circle.

- The Emma Committee also presented the Vista sign, it will be an informational sign attached to the fence near the Pheasant Run Winery, and the board had no concerns with the vista informational sign.
- Signage will be considered “Historical Identification/Name” signs as per Aurora Municipal Code #17.20.070, C. 4. & #17.20.060, A 1. These signs won’t take way the number of signs a business owner may have due to it being a Historical Identification sign.

A motion to approve the application for the Emma Walking Tour signs was approved with Times New Roman Font and to have reverse lettering with the number in white font in a blue circle was made by Bill Simon and seconded by Merra Frochen and passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the application for the Vista informational sign as presented was made by Mella Fraser and seconded by Bill Simon and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and/or action on sign application for replacement of existing signs on historic buildings. Submitted by Patrick Harris of the A.C.H.S & A.C.V.A.

- The Aurora Colony Historical Society and the Aurora Colony Visitor’s Association would like to gradually replace all the existing historical informational signs on historic buildings.
- The signage they are proposing will be the outline of the sun from the Old Aurora Colony museum logo. The color will be a neutral gun metal gray with black graphics. The signs may not exceed 6 Sq ft.
- Signage will be considered “Historical Identification/Name” signs as per Aurora Municipal Code #17.20.070, C. 4. & #17.20.060, A 1. These signs won’t take way the number of signs a business owner may have due to it being a Historical Identification sign.

A motion to approve the application as presented was made by Merra Frochen and seconded by Mella Dee Fraser and passed unanimously.

B. Discussion and/or Action on project application for 21358 Highway 99E, Aurora OR 97002. Submitted by Tim & Susie Corcoran.

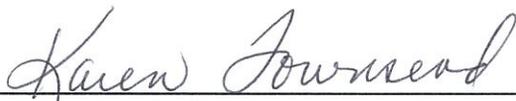
- The applicant's proposition is to restore the front porch of the Miller House. The applicant would like to make the front porch as original as possible.
- The members had concerns only on the replacement of the balusters on the front porch. Chairman Townsend brought a picture of the George Miller house from the early 1900's, that show that the balusters on the front porch are straight not turned.
- The members don't want to hold up the restoration process on the house, they felt that the front porch should look as original as in the photograph.

A motion to approve the application on all points except for Balusters was made by Merra Frochen and seconded by Bill Simon and passed unanimously.

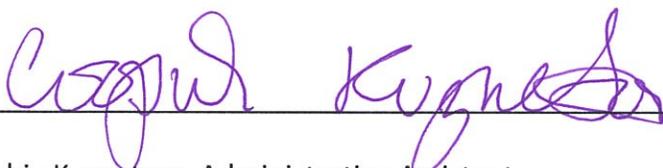
A motion to approve the balusters to match originals as shown on the George Miller House photographed in the 1900's was made by Merra Frochen and seconded by Bill Simon and passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:20pm by Bill Simon, seconded by Merra Frochen and passed unanimously.



Karen Townsend, Chairman



Sophia Kuznetsov, Administrative Assistant