## City of Lockhart Historical Preservation Commission August 02, 2017

## **MINUTES**

Members Present: Ronda Reagan, Ron Faulstich, Victor Corpus, Juan Alvarez, Jr.

Members Absent: Kathy McCormick, John Lairsen

Staff Present: Yvette Aguado, Kevin Waller, Dan Gibson

Public Present: Ben Sparks

1. Call to Order. Vice-Chair Reagan called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

2. Consider the minutes of the July 19, 2017 meeting.

Commissioner Faulstich moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Corpus seconded, and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

3. <u>CFA-17-09.</u> Consider a request by Jennifer Sparks for approval of a Certificate for Alteration to allow two window signs on Part of Lot 1, Block 23, Original Town of Lockhart, zoned CCB Commercial Central Business District and located at 107 East San Antonio Street.

Mr. Waller approached the podium to present Planning Staff's report and a PowerPoint presentation for the proposed signs. He stated that the applicant proposes two new painted window signs for the "Rollfast Ranchwear" business. The window signs will be duplicative and located on either side of the business' front door entrance, and will face the street. Currently, two temporary decals are displayed on the front double doors, one with the business name and a station wagon graphic on the left door when facing the front of the building, and the other with a cactus graphic and hours/days of operation on the right door. A permanent hours and days of operation sign and neon, non-flashing "Open" sign are proposed as well, which are exempt from the requirement for a sign permit and do not need approval of a Certificate for Alteration.

Vice-Chair Reagan asked if there are regulations that prohibit flashing neon signs.

Both Mr. Gibson and Mr. Waller responded that there are such regulations.

Vice-Chair Reagan asked if regulations exist that require a window sign to be affixed either on the inside or outside of a window.

Mr. Waller responded that there is no such regulation; a sign can be affixed inside or outside of a window.

Mr. Sparks, the applicant's husband, asked if it mattered whether the sign was placed on the inside or outside of the window. He stated that he prefers to place signs on the inside, thereby preventing passers-by from removing them. Mr. Sparks also inquired as to whether a permit was required for a hanging sign, as he is considering such a sign in addition to the window signs.

Vice-Chair Reagan responded that if a sign meets the Historic District Pre-Approved standards, approval is not required from the Historical Preservation Commission.

Mr. Gibson informed Mr. Sparks that a hanging sign would also require a completed sign permit application.

Commissioner Alvarez moved to approve CFA-17-09 as requested. Vice-Chair Reagan seconded, and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

## 4. Consider changing the start time of future meetings.

Vice-Chair Reagan stated that this had been brought before the Commission for discussion, due to some Commission members arriving late for scheduled meetings. She stated that one must consider and agree to meeting start times, when accepting a position as a Commission member.

Commissioner Faulstich stated that since he was appointed to the Commission, he has lost an employee at his business. As the owner of the business, he must pick up the slack until the position is filled. Mr. Faulstich further explained that it is not appropriate for him to kick a customer out of his shop who might arrive at the time he would leave for a Commission meeting.

Vice-Chair Reagan moved to table the consideration of the change of start time for future meetings to also include the other Commission members' input and vote. Commissioner Alvarez seconded, and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

5. <u>Discuss the date and agenda of next meeting, including Commission requests for agenda</u> items.

Mr. Waller informed the Commission that an application had been submitted by the deadline for the next regularly-scheduled meeting, and that the next meeting would be held on August 16, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

## 6. Adjournment.

Commissioner Alvarez moved to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Faulstich seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0, and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved: \_

(date)

Yvette Aguado, Recording Secretary

John Lairsen, Chair