

Athens City Historic and Architecture Preservation Commission
MINUTES
April 10, 2023

1. Call to Order Chairperson Mary Anne Reeves called the meeting to order at 5:26 PM. Members present include Mark Snider, Bill Walker, Tim Anderson, Richard Vedder, and John Valentour. Quorum established. Non-commission members present: Andrew Chiki, Deputy Service Director.

2. Disposition of Minutes February minutes were approved by the commission.

3. Next Meeting May 8, 2022, at 5:30 PM

4. Old Business

A. The Certificate of Appropriateness for the Asian Grill, 40 South Court Street, has been delivered to the code office.

5. New Business

A. Drawings and proposed exterior work outline have been submitted for the Lostro Building, 60-63 South Court Street. Andrew gave a summary of the intended work. The immediate concern is to stabilize the surfaces of the south and west elevations of the structure. These are secondary elevations that do not face Court or Union Streets. The surfaces have received a granular coating which is failing and causing moisture penetration and damage to the structure. The owner is applying to the State Historic Preservation Office for a state tax credit. A preliminary review by SHPO, dated 12/7/2022, has been submitted to the Commission and included with these minutes. The Historic Preservation Commission has been asked to review the proposed on the secondary elevations. The Engineers recommendation is to leave the existing material in place and install a vented EFIS or painted stucco over the surface. SHPO has approved this concept in section 5 of the evaluation. These elevations will have windows added per the drawings submitted. Specifications for the new windows are described in the SHPO evaluation.

The commission discussed the proposal.

A motion was made by John to approve the modifications for the secondary elevations of the Lostro Building as described in the SHPO review and the Owner's scope of work outline. The Commission will need to review and approve the color selection of the finish material. Motion seconded by Mark. All members voted in favor; the motion is approved.

The Commission will review the drawings and documents provided showing the scope of proposed work related to the exterior of the structure. A representative for the project, David Kozar, is planning to attend our next meeting to further discuss the project.

6. Adjournment

All agenda items satisfied and no additional business or announcements. Richard motioned to adjourn the meeting; Bill seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:25PM.

Respectfully submitted by John Valentour