

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Historic Preservation Commission Meeting**  
Wednesday, July 24, 2013

The Mount Vernon Historic Preservation Commission will meet in open session, Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm in the *Mount Vernon Visitor Center*.

Attendance: Thomas, Kelley, Ibers, Clark, Rogers, Hargus, Anthony, Sauter.  
Guests: Pat McAllister (Nesper Sign); Pastor (Methodist Church)

- I. Meeting was called to order by chair Thomas at approximately 5:05 pm
- II. Design Review
  - A. Methodist Church Sign.

Pat McAllister of Nesper Sign presented the modified design for the Methodist Church message board. The sign has been approved by the zoning administrator and is in compliance with the new sign ordinance. The sign was as presented at the pre-review of several months ago with the exception that the sign will be internally lit with manually changeable letters instead of an electronic message board. The latter is not allowed in the new sign ordinance.

A motion was made and seconded to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the sign. In favor: Thomas, Kelley, Ibers, Clark, Rogers, Hargus, Anthony, Sauter.

- B. Cornell College Hall Cupola

Sauter presented the drawings for the restored cupola on College Hall. The design is identical to the one approved at the pre-review earlier this year. Sauter noted that the wood would be either painted or white pre-finished synthetic lumber to match the prior design.

A motion was made and seconded to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the sign. In favor: Thomas, Kelley, Ibers, Clark, Rogers, Hargus, Anthony. Abstaining: Sauter.

C. Stoner Building Storefront

Sauter presented elevations to show what the new windows would look like in-place. The use of new windows is the only solution that would allow for insulated glass as well as a place for structural support for the construction above the windows. The aluminum will be dark bronze aluminum, which is close in color to the original metal windows. Wood columns will be embedded inside the angle where the windows return and the wood covered with aluminum to match the windows. The glass will be clear glass, tempered where required by code. The area above the windows and the doors and door jambs will remain as-is. There is an additional horizontal divider in the window at door head height that was not in the original windows. This is a motif present on many windows throughout downtown Mount Vernon. There were no further questions on the design.

A motion was made and seconded to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the sign. In favor: Thomas, Kelley, Ibers, Clark, Rogers, Hargus, Anthony. Abstaining: Sauter.

- III. No old business was discussed
- IV. No new business was discussed
- V. Next Meeting will be Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:15 am, Visitor Center
- VI. The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.