

Heritage Preservation Commission

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

4:00 p.m.

St. Cloud City Hall Council Chambers

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Eric Cheever, Sheila DeVine, Gavin Henry, Ann Marie Johnson and Robert Johnson

Members Absent: Peter Fandel, Mark Muniz and Paul Soenneker

Staff Present: Jim Flaaen and Ashley Skaggs

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ACTION TAKEN: DeVine/Henry/Approved (5-0)

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ACTION TAKEN: None

Flaaen explained a request to demolish select non-historical features of the Foley/Larson house. The applicant has proposed to demolish the rear porch, the carriage porch and the basement access addition to the house. The HAP Subcommittee discussed the proposal at its meeting on November 19th and concurred with staff's recommendation that more information is needed for the replacement, rebuild and infill before approving their removal.

John Wolak, the project manager, was present to answer questions along with the contractor, Jesse Hopkins. DeVine expressed concern for what will happen after demolition of the rear porch and carriage porch. Hopkins noted that demolition needs to be completed now as the structures have fallen into significant disrepair. A well thought out plan will come forward for any rebuilding in the future, but they are still in the discovery process right now. Commissioners continued to discuss whether to allow demolition without a plan for reconstruction.

DeVine made a motion to approve the request as submitted with the understanding that reconstruction cannot take place until a new plan comes forward to the HPC. The motion was seconded by Cheever and carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE HAP APPROVALS / PRESERVATION UPDATE

ACTION TAKEN: None

Flaaen reviewed a list of recent administrative approvals and an update on recent preservation initiatives.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.