

# CITY of MEDINA Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting Minutes May 8, 2025

Meeting Date: May 8, 2025

Meeting Time: 5:00 PM

Present: Elizabeth Biggins-Ramer, Kevin Hutchinson, Matt Strehle, Leslie Traves, Paul Wood, Andrew Dutton (Community Development Director), and Sarah Tome (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Rebekah Knaggs, Patty Stahl

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the minutes from March 13, 2025 as submitted.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Hutchinson.

Vote:

Biggins-Ramer	<u>Y</u>	Hutchinson	<u>Y</u>
Strehle	<u>Y</u>	Traves	<u>Y</u>
Wood	<u>Y</u>		
Approved	<u>5-0</u>		

Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the minutes from April 10, 2025, as submitted.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Hutchinson.

Vote:

Hutchinson	<u>Y</u>	Strehle	<u>Y</u>
Traves	<u>Y</u>	Wood	<u>Y</u>
Biggins-Ramer	<u>Y</u>		
Approved	<u>5-0</u>		

The Court Reporter swore in all attendees.

## Applications

1.H25-05Brian Feron028-19A-21-240 & 205 South Prospect StreetCOAMr. Dutton stated that the Interurban Building had previously been located in the northeast<br/>corner of the Feckley Parking Lot, but had been temporarily relocated due to construction on the<br/>hotel site. Mr. Dutton stated that the applicant was proposing to relocate the Interurban Building<br/>to the McDowell-Phillips House site. He added that, as the structure's previous location had been

in the Historic District, and the McDowell-Phillips site was a historic property, both fell under the purview of the Historic Preservation Board.

Mr. Dutton stated the building would be temporarily located in an existing parking lot on the site. He noted that the final location of the building was shown to the west of the existing parking lot, but would depend on future development of the McDowell-Phillips site. Mr. Dutton stated that staff recommended approval of H25-05 to relocate the Interurban Building, as presented.

Ms. Biggins-Ramer recused herself from this case.

Present for the case was Brian Feron, president of the Medina County Historical Society, 206 North Elmwood Avenue. Mr. Feron presented the Board with color samples for the Interurban Building. He noted that there would be minor carpentry work to restore the building and that paint colors would match what was currently on the structure. Mr. Feron stated that the building would be placed in the corner of the parking lot until a permanent pad for the structure could be constructed.

Ms. Traves asked when the building would be moved. Mr. Feron stated that the timing would be dependent on the sale process from the city. He added that he hoped it would be a matter of weeks before the Interurban Building could be moved.

Mr. Hutchinson asked if the relocation of the Interurban Building would require the hotel to come before the Historic Preservation Board again. Mr. Dutton responded that it would not.

Mr. Wood made a motion to approve the relocation of the Interurban Building to the McDowell-Phillips House on South Prospect Street, as submitted.

Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion.

Vote:

Strehle	<u>Y</u>	Traves	<u>Y</u>
Wood	<u>Y</u>	Hutchinson	<u>Y</u>
Approved	<u>4-0</u>		

2.	H25-04	Leslie Traves	239 South Court Street	COA

Ms. Biggins-Ramer rejoined the Board and Ms. Traves recused herself, as this was her application.

Mr. Dutton stated that the applicant was proposing to paint the front façade of the building with the following colors:

- Front Door Garrison Red
- Body of Building Two-tone beige with similar colors to the existing facade
- Building Trim Elements Templeton Gray
- Windows and Corbels Trim Kingsport Gray and Litchfield Gray

Mr. Dutton added that the applicant had included color samples and photos with the application. He stated that staff recommended approval of application H25-03, as presented.

Present for the case was Leslie Traves 239 South Court Street. Ms. Traves stated Labyrinth Management Group had owned the building since 2004 and would keep a similar color scheme to

what was currently on the building. She added that the front door would be changed to red, as it was one of the logo colors for their business.

There was a discussion as to the proposed colors, as well as the color scheme of the sister building located next door.

Mr. Hutchinson made a motion to approve application H25-04, as submitted.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Vote:

Wood	<u>Y</u>	Biggins-Ramer	<u>Y</u>
Hutchinson	<u>Y</u>	Strehle	<u>Y</u>
Approved	<u>4-0</u>		

## Discussion

Ms. Biggins-Ramer stated that she had heard Hemingway's Underground was having issues with their front door. Mr. Dutton stated that the applicant would need to come back before the Board if a new door was proposed.

The contractor for the Hemingway's project, James Guame, 522 West Mill Street, stated that the previous contractor had measured incorrectly and the door selected by the business owner was too narrow. He added that the existing door would remain until a new door was selected and then approved by the Historic Preservation Board.

Mr. Dutton stated that if the original door remained unchanged, no additional Board review was needed, as it would not be considered an exterior change. There was a further discussion about if the applicant would need to go before the Board for approval to paint the existing door. After discussion, the Board agreed that as long as the door color matched what had already been approved for the building facade, no further review would be needed.

## Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Tome

Leslie Traves, Chairwoman