

CITY OF VISALIA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at 5:30PM

CHAIR: Walter Deissler VICE-CHAIR: Tyler Davis

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:
Patty Kane, Michael Kreps, Marilyn Mitchell,
Jay Hohlbauch, Peggy Lambert

City of Visalia Administration Building
220 N. Santa Fe Street, Visalia CA

AGENDA

A. Citizen's Comments

B. HPAC Meeting Minutes, August 11, 2021

C. Project Review:

1. **HPAC No. 2021-14 (Continued Hearing):** A request by Catalina Daggett to construct a new fence for an existing single-family residence, located at 511 W. Goshen Avenue (APN: 093-174-002)

D. Discussion Items

1. Historic Preservation Ordinance Update
2. Local Register of Historic Structures Update
3. Committee and Staff Comments
 - a. 807 S. Court Street (Mooney House)
 - b. 532 E. Houston Avenue
 - c. Video Conference Meetings
4. Identification of Items for Future Agendas

E. Adjournment

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All members present.

Members of the Public: Leslie Daggett, Chris Pietroforte, Richard Lubben (phone)

STAFF: Paul Bernal, Interim Community Development Director/City Planner, Cristobal Carrillo, Associate Planner

315 East Acequia Avenue, Visalia

Minutes of August 11, 2021, Historic Preservation Advisory Committee Meeting

A. Citizen's Comments – None.

B. HPAC Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2021

Deissler requested that the Minutes be revised to include a statement saying “Minutes for July 28, 2021”. See no other comments, a motion was made by Lambert, seconded by Hohlbauch, to accept the minutes. The motion passed 7-0.

C. Project Review:

1. **HPAC No. 2021-14:** A request by Catalina Daggett to construct a new fence for an existing single-family residence, located at 511 W. Goshen Avenue (APN: 093-174-002)

Staff presented its report and recommended approval of the wood picket fence proposal with a condition requiring removal of chain link fencing placed without permits. Public comment was received from Leslie Daggett, son of the applicant. Daggett requested that the Committee instead consider allowing the existing chain link fencing to remain. Daggett cited increased security and aesthetics as reasons to approve the existing fencing. Deissler stated that since the picket fencing had been submitted for review, consideration of the chain link fencing could not be conducted. Bernal asked if Daggett was requesting a continuance to allow for submittal of an amended proposal. Daggett answered in the affirmative. Bernal recommended that a motion to continue include a firm date for reconsideration. A motion was then made by Hohlbauch, seconded by Davis, to continue the item to the August 25, 2021 HPAC meeting for consideration of an amended fencing request. The motion passed 7-0.

2. **HPAC No. 2021-13:** A request by Richard Lubben to replace an exterior door for an existing single-family residence, located at 632 N. Encina Street (APN: 094-013-005)

Staff presented its report and recommended approval of the proposal. Public comment in favor of the proposal was received by phone from Richard Lubben, applicant and property owner. The Committee discussed whether the door should be repair or replaced and evaluated the compatibility of the proposed door with the existing residence. Lubben stated that the door would be costly to repair and posed a security risk due to its condition and presence of windows. Kreps noted that the residence itself was full of windows that could be broken for access to the residence. Hohlbauch noted that it was much more likely for unauthorized entry to occur through doors instead of windows. Further discussion occurred regarding preservation of hardware within the existing door. It was then motioned by Kane, seconded by Lambert, to approve replacement of the door, with a condition that the lockset maintain an antique aesthetic that is visually appropriate to the age of the existing door and residence. The motion passed 6-1, with Kreps voting against the motion.

3. **HPAC No. 2021-15:** A request by Chris Pietroforte to demolish a fence for an existing office, located at 1120 W. Main Street (APN: 093-227-010)

Staff presented its report and recommended approval of the proposal. Public comment in favor of the proposal was received by Chris Pietroforte, applicant and property owner. The Committee discussed the proposal, with Deissler questioning whether the foundations for the columns would be removed. After discussion it was then motioned by Davis, seconded by Mitchell, to approve demolition request, with a condition that the remaining foundation be removed. The motion passed 7-0.

D. Discussion Items

1. Development Without Permits/Approvals – Penalties and Remedies

Deissler requested information regarding penalties for work conducted without permits. Bernal asked that the discussion be continued to the following meeting. No other discussion occurred.

2. Historic Preservation Ordinance Update

- a. Work Session with City Planner

Staff provided a presentation on the amendments to the Historic Preservation Ordinance recommended by the HPAC. The Committee discussed the proposals and provided revisions to staff. This included the addition of HVAC systems as reviewable projects and removal of initial recommendations regarding Accessory Dwelling Units and landscaping. The Committee and staff noted that additional research would be required regarding acceptable fencing types, enforcement of fencing, and how often to conduct reviews of the Local Register. Lastly the Committee indicated that guidelines for landscaping would be developed separately from the Ordinance Update. Staff stated that a revised memo would be provided and that they would schedule a work session with the City Council for September 20, 2021.

3. Local Register of Historic Structures Update

- a. Call for Volunteers

The HPAC briefly discussed inviting volunteers to the August 25, 2021 HPAC meeting. No other discussion occurred for this item.

4. August 2, 2021, Visalia City Council meeting – Reappointment of Marilyn Mitchell to HPAC

The HPAC discussed the reappointment of Marilyn Mitchell to the HPAC.

5. California State Historic Tax Credit
6. City of Visalia/Proteus Housing Programs

Deissler discussed the State Historic Tax Credit and City/Proteus housing programs. It was requested that someone from the Committee volunteer to research the programs and provide information to the Committee. Davis volunteered and requested that Deissler provide documentation to him for review.

7. Committee and Staff Comments

- a. 807 S. Court Street

Staff stated that they would be meeting with the property owner of 807 S. Court Street to discuss the historic review process.

8. Identification of Items for Future Agendas – None.

E. Adjournment – A motion was made by Hohlbauch, seconded by Kane, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 7-0. The meeting ended at 7:18pm.

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Memo



To: Historic Preservation Advisory Committee
From: Cristobal Carrillo, Associate Planner (559) 713-4443
Date: August 25, 2021
Re: Request to Continue HPAC Item No. 2021-14 (Daggett) to a Future Non-Specific Date.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (HPAC) continue HPAC Item No. 2021-14 to a future non-specific date. Staff recommends the continuance to allow the HPAC time to receive guidance from the Visalia City Council at an upcoming joint work session. HPAC Item No. 2021-14 was previously heard by the HPAC on August 11, 2021, and was continued to August 25, 2021, at the request applicant's representative to allow for revision to the proposal.

Discussion

The HPAC is scheduled to hold a work session with the Visalia City Council on September 20, 2021, to discuss revisions to the Historic Preservation Ordinance. Items to be discussed include fencing within historically designated areas. Guidance will be requested from the City Council on how the HPAC can best address fencing proposals, including acceptable types and materials. This is the result of the HPAC receiving an influx of proposals for new fencing in 2021.

HPAC Item No. 2021-14 is a request by Catalina Daggett for new wood picket fencing at 511 W. Goshen Avenue. The item was previously considered by the HPAC at its August 11, 2021, meeting, but was continued to August 25, 2021 at the request of Leslie Daggett, representative for the applicant. Daggett stated that he wished to revise the proposal to allow for the existing five foot tall chain link fencing to remain. Daggett submitted a revised proposal for HPAC consideration on August 18, 2021. Staff recommends that the HPAC continue this item for a second time to a future unspecified date so the HPAC can receive guidance from the City Council on fencing. The guidance can then be incorporated into the review of Daggett's revised request.

Upon the completion of the HPAC-City Council work session on September 20, 2021, HPAC Item No. 2021-14 will be rescheduled for consideration by the HPAC at the next available meeting.