



**PRESCOTT PRESERVATION COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBERS / CITY HALL
201 S. CORTEZ STREET
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA**

MINUTES OF THE Prescott Preservation Commission at its **PUBLIC HEARING** held on **Friday, April 11, 2008, City Council Chambers, Prescott, located at 201 S. Cortez St.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, *pro tempore*, Frank DeGrazia, called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

II. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT Frank DeGrazia, Vice-Chairman Don Rantz Mike Todd Marv Wright	OTHERS PRESENT George Worley, Assistant Community Development Director Nancy Burgess, Historic Preservation Specialist Mike Bacon, Community Planner Kelly Sammeli, Recording Secretary
MEMBERS ABSENT Doug Stroh, Chairman Russ Buchanan Elisabeth Ruffner	

III. REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Approve the minutes** of the March 14, 2008 meeting.

Mr. Wright, **MOTION: to approve the minutes** of the March 14, 2008 meeting.
Mr. Todd, 2nd. **Vote: 4-0.**

2. **HP08-008, 141 S. Mount Vernon Avenue.** Southeast Prescott Preservation District. APN: 110-01-058. Request approval for building permit to install an air conditioning unit. Owner/applicant is Ronald D. Woodward. Historic Preservation Specialist, Nancy Burgess.

Ms. Burgess reviewed the staff report and indicated that:

- the applicant is out of the area and is unable to be present today;
- the request is for a permit to install air conditioning and two ground-mounted condensers;
- the unit will be located on the south side of the property and will be screened;
- the condenser lines will be covered and painted to match the siding;

- the project will not be visible from the street, and nothing is mounted on roof;
- proposed installation meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and design guidelines of HPD # 13.

Commissioners queried and remarked on:

- will the pipes run up side of the house to get to second floor [Ms. Burgess: yes];
- is existing duct work is inside the house;

Mr. Rantz, **MOTION: to approve HP08-008** as submitted. Mr. Wright, 2nd. **Vote: 4-0**

3. HP08-009, 109 S. Montezuma Street. Courthouse Plaza Historic Preservation District. APN: 113-01-018. Request approval for sign permit. Owner is Patti Kyle/Applicant is A&B Sign Company. Historic Preservation Specialist, Nancy Burgess.

Ms. Burgess reviewed the staff report and indicated:

- the applicant, as well as representative from A & B Sign Company, are present;
- the proposal is to repaint and re-use an existing sign;
- the existing sign was previously approved by the Commission in 2005 with conditions;
- the conditions were never completed, and it would be good to do the repairs now;
- the color of the sign face background will be barn red with white lettering and green trim, all hand-painted;
- the sign will not be illuminated;
- the sign meets the design guidelines of the Courthouse Plaza Preservation District;
- the sign is wider than the sign band and is placed in an appropriate location.

Commissioners queried and remarked on:

- recommendation of color and not being a requirement of the Courthouse District;
- location of the sign and the brick corbelling [Ms. Burgess: the original sign was placed without a permit. The sign was already in place when it was brought to the Commission in 2005. The Commission felt that the sign was appropriate and it met all the criteria of the Courthouse Preservation District. The owner felt, if the sign was located under the canopy, it would not be seen and it needed to be higher and that is why it is wider than the sign band];
- would the current sign fit in the relief area without placing more screw holes [Ms. Burgess: not unless it is reduced in size];
- would rather see the sign renovated than to put new holes in the building;
- sign is well done, attractive in design;
- conditions need to be that holes that are currently there need to be filled in and painted [Ms. Burgess: that could be part of the motion];
- whose responsibility is it to make repairs, the owners or the renters [Ms. Burgess: that will have to worked out between themselves];
- could sign company do the patch and repair when they install the new sign.

Perry Wierick, 691 N. 6th Street, A & B Sign Company, stated that:

- the original sign was installed poorly;
- they plan to devise a way to install the new sign where the mounting will not be visible;
- patching the holes the simple way, with silicone caulk to fill in the holes and sponging it out to match, won't cost the renter a lot of money. However, if painting the facade is required, than the renter needs to go back to her landlord and discuss it.

Commissioners further queried:

- is there a design criteria on repairs of this nature [Ms. Burgess: It depends on the building, if this were un-stuccoed brick then it would be a different process. This will probably be fine];
- using a paintable caulk with sponge to give it texture;
- compatible color to match the façade;

Mr. Todd, **Motion: to approve HP08-009**, signage at 109 S. Cortez Street with the condition that when the sign is removed it will be patched appropriately and the patch will be painted to match the existing facade of the building.

The motion died due to lack of a second.

Mr. Rantz, **MOTION: to approve HP08-009**, 109 S. Cortez Street sign application as stated with the condition that any existing screw holes or any new screw holes created by re-attaching the new sign be filled with an appropriate silicone caulk and sponged to match the existing texture of the existing façade. Mr. Wright, 2nd. **Vote: 4-0.**

IV. SUMMARY OF CURRENT OR RECENT EVENTS

Handouts provided regarding the Prescott Downtown Partnership, Main Street Program.

Schedule of the Sixth Annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference being held In Rio Rico, Arizona, June 12-14, 2008.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman, *pro tempore*, Frank DeGrazia, adjourned the meeting at 8:30 AM.

Frank DeGrazia, Chairman *pro tempore*