

VIEUX CARRE COMMISSION

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Minutes of the **Vieux Carré Commission** meeting of **Wednesday, July 5th, 2017 - 1:30 P.M.**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Nicholas S. Musso, Chairman  
Daniel C. Taylor, Vice-Chairman  
Leslie S. Stokes, Secretary  
C.J. Blanda  
Adrienne Thomas  
Rick Fifield

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Patricia C. Denechaud  
Angela King

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bryan D. Block, Director; Renée Bourgogne, Architectural Historian;  
Nicholas G. Albrecht, Building Plans Examiner; Examiner; Melissa  
Quigley, Assistant City Attorney;

**STAFF ABSENT:** Erin Vogt, Building Plans; Erika Gates, Inspector; Tony Whitfield,  
Inspector;

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bob Ellis, Daniel Taylor

**I. ROLL CALL**

Chairman Musso called the meeting to order at approximately 1:31 PM. A quorum was established with the presence of six (6) of the eight (8) seated Commissioners present.

**II. REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Mr. Blanda moved, Mr. Taylor seconded, that the minutes of the Vieux Carré Commission meeting of June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be approved as previously circulated. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Mr. Musso expressed his gratitude for the Commissioners noting that today was Mr. Blanda's last meeting. Mr. Musso noted that Mr. Skinner and Mr. Henriquez had had their last meeting the previous month. Mr. Musso continued that the Commissioners attend twelve or more meetings a year donating their time and that they are happy to do it.

Mr. Musso concluded his report noting that elections for the Commission president, vice-president, and secretary will be made at the August Commission meeting.

**IV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There was no Director's report.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**620 Decatur St:** Robert Cangelosi, Jr., applicant; Josephine Paciera Prop Inc, owner; Proposal to demolish clock/sign pylon and construct new information/ticket kiosk, per application & materials received 07/22/16 & 05/31/17, respectively.

<https://onestopapp.nola.gov/Documents.aspx?ObjLabel=Permit&ID=594790>

Mr. Albrecht gave the staff report with Messrs. Ellis and Taylor present on behalf of the application. Mr. Musso stated that he was in agreement with the proposal and staff report,

noting that the applicant volunteered to remove the structure at the termination of their lease. Mr. Musso continued that the Architecture Committee looked at all components of this proposal and that this is a one-off and not a statement of precedence.

Mr. Taylor moved to **approve** the application consistent with the staff recommendations. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### **VI. APPEALS AND VIOLATIONS**

**231 Bourbon St:** Allie Mayeaux, applicant; 235 Holdings LLC, owner; Appeal of Architecture Committee denial of proposal to retain commercial hood vent installed without benefit of VCC review or approval, per application & materials received 04/18/17.

Mr. Albrecht gave the staff presentation with Mr. Ellis present on behalf of the application. Mr. Musso stated that he was in agreement with the staff report and believes that there are alternatives that could be explored.

Mr. Blanda stated that as the hood vent was installed without permission that it should be removed or made more acceptable. Mr. Ellis stated that he would prefer a deferment to allow time to explore alternatives, noting that he was only recently retained to assist with this application.

Mr. Taylor moved to **defer** the application to allow the applicant to explore alternate options. Mr. Fifield inquired if it would be only a 30-day deferral. Mr. Taylor accepted the 30-day requirement. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### **VII. RATIFICATION** of Architectural Committee and Staff actions since the Wednesday, June 7, 2017 VCC meeting.

Mr. Taylor moved to ratify the Architectural Committee and Staff actions since the Wednesday, June 7th, 2017 meeting. The motion, seconded Ms. Stokes, passed unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, Mr. Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fifield seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:55 pm.