

City of Prescott
Prescott Preservation Commission

January 12, 2024 | 9:00 AM
201 N. Montezuma Street
Council Chambers, 3rd Floor
Prescott, AZ 86301

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mirco called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M.

2. ROLL CALL

Members:

Michael Mirco - Chair
Mike King - Vice Chair
Diane Travis – Member, absent
James McCarver - Member
Rob Johnson - Member
Richard Sprain – Member, absent
Mary Ann Suttles – Member

3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of the November 3, 2023 Prescott Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SUTTLES TO APPROVE NOVEMBER 3, 2023 MINUTES; SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER KING: (5 - 0)

- B. **HP23-016** – A Request for Approval for 77 Lineal Feet of 4' High Decorative, Black Steel Fencing in Front Side Yards of Property to Tie in with Existing Ornamental Iron Fencing in Front. Location: Southeast Prescott Local Historic Register District & Joslin Whipple National Historic Register District. APN: 110-03-004, 306 S Mount Vernon Ave. Zoning: SF-9. Owner: Cottage Trust - Arlene Gibbs.

Kaylee Nunez, City of Prescott Preservation Specialist, presented photos of the subject property. She stated that the home is in two historic districts; Southeast Prescott local district and the Joslin Whipple national district.

Ms. Nunez stated that the home is listed on the National Register and is a bungalow style. The home was constructed in approximately 1914 or 1915.

The proposal is:

- To remove deteriorated wooden fencing in front, side yards.

Ms. Nunez presented a site plan of the property showing where the sign will be located, which is in the front yard on the north side facing Gurley Street.

Analysis:

Chapter 10 (E. Prescott) within the Historic Preservation Master Plan, in part, states:

- New construction should seek to use materials of a type and manner consistent with neighboring buildings.

This applies to signage as well. Though not mandatory, consider using wooden frame and posts and/or matte finishes for signage.

Ms. Nunez stated that the property was owned by AJ Head. He was the owner of the AJ Head hotel as well as a lumber mill near town. The property was built around 1890 and is unique as it has gambrel shaped roof and some fish scale detailing.

Commissioner Rob Johnson asked what the zoning is for the property.

Ms. Nunez stated that it is Business General zoning which is a flexible zoning, allowing both commercial and residential uses.

Commissioner McCarver asked what color the sign is.

Ms. Nunez stated that it is dark green.

Stephan Markov from Morgan Sign Company stated that the background of the sign is dark green so that it will complement the green on the building. He also stated that they may change the color of the posts to something more neutral. Mr. Markov stated that the sign will look like wood but will be made out of aluminum.

Chair Mirco asked if the size of the sign meets code requirements.

Mr. Markov stated that the sign is less than 24 square feet. He stated that it meets code requirements for footings and overall dimensions.

Commissioner Mike King asked if the property has had renovations done recently.

Ms. Nunez stated that they have been doing renovations including excavating the front of the property and reinforcing the retaining walls. She stated that she recommended that the owner replace some of the foliage in the front. She stated that they will be pulling permits for an internal remodel soon.

Commissioner King stated that the materials they are proposing for the sign fits the motif for a commercial building in the area.

Commissioner Mary Ann Suttles asked how the Commission would be used for the conference.

Ms. Nunez stated that she is not sure about how yet, but the Commission members will be involved.

Commissioner King offered his services as a tour guide.

Ms. Nunez stated that there will be representatives from the National Preservation Network present at the conference.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Mirco adjourned the meeting at 9:31 A.M.



MICHAEL MIRCO, Chair

ATTEST:



SARAH HILTON, Recording Secretary