MINUTES OF THE

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

MARCH 26, 1991

Present:

Staff Present:

Larry Herbert Jezn Hiatt Blake Caravati Margaret Van Yahres Fred Boger

A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

BAR 90-10-352

800 Deleven Street Request for Demolition

Mr. Boger informed the Board that he had reviewed Mr. Peyton's application to demolish the remaining wings of the historic structure which burned on March 7, 1991, and decided that these structures can be demolished as requested. However the site will remain subject to Article XVIII "ADC and DADC Historic Preservation and Architectural Design Control Districts". The reasons for this decision are as follows:

- 1. The remaining wings of the building were constructed after 1885 and they, in themselves, are not subject to the ADC controls.
- 2. This property has had a significant connection with the history of the railroad in the City since 1880. When the railroad station was built in 1885 (Norfolk and Southern Station), the property was used for the station master's residence. The railroad station is included on the list of protected properties, and in order to preserve the historic connection between the two properties, the 800 Deleven Street site must remain subject to the ADC controls.
- 3. The Norfolk and Southern Railroad Station is a significant historic structure along this section of West Main Street. In order to protect this building, and the vista along this major City corridor, the site should remain on the list of historic properties and be subject to our ADC controls.
- 4. The 800 Deleven Street property is an environmentally-sensitive site with its large, hardwood trees. In order to protect these major trees from being destroyed, the site must remain on our list of historic properties.
- 5. Section 15.1-503-2 of the State Code permits the City the right to protect historic sites and areas. In our proposed historic ordinance, Section 34-566 implements the State Law by stating that one purpose of historic

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preservation is the protection of historic landmarks, sites, areas, and places, and any other buildings, structures, or properties which serve as important reminders of the City's historical, cultural, and architectural heritage. The Peyton property is a historic site by its connection to the development of the railroad in the City and the remaining elements on the site relating to the house, such as the landscaping, large trees, and the hand-dug brick-lined well which is one of the few documented wells of this type remaining in the City. Therefore, this site is protected by our historic ordinance.

There was a brief discussion following Mr. Boger's remarks after which the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE

DOWNTOWN BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

MARCH 26, 1991 10:30 A.M.

Present:

Staff Present:

M. Jack Rinehart, Jr. Genevieve Keller Gib Akin Kurt Wassenaar

Fred Boger

Mr. Rinehart called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and called for the consideration of the minutes

A. MINUTES

The minutes of the January 22, 1991, January 31, 1991, February 26, 1991 and March 12, 1991 meetings were approved as corrected.

B. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

DBAR 89-1408

Water Street Parking Garage VMDO Architects, Applicant

Mr. Boger said that Mr. Joe Celentano, associate with VMDO Architects, has submitted some details requested by the Board at its January meeting for the changes made to the design for the proposed City Parking Garage on Water Street. The details submitted are for the wire mesh panels, the wire mesh security screen, and the concrete panel. The remaining details to be submitted are changes to the lighting system, re-design of the planters, and landscape changes to the south side of the building.

We understand the need for security on the south side of the building. However, we have some concern about the use of the wire mesh security screens on this building. The question we have is whether thee is another security alternative available which could be used instead of the one proposed.

Mr. Randy Livermore, Associate with VMDO Architects was present and discussed in detail the revised plans. Following the discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that there have been numerous changes made since the plans were originally approved. The Board would like to see a complete package for the project with all details. Also, the color rendering should be brought to the next meeting so the Board can relate to the changes. The plans submitted should identify all new changes on them. The plans should include the following information:

- Detail sheet for 4th Street elevation
- Detail sheet for Second Street elevation
- Sample of materials to be used for grid panels

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- Sample of color for the grid panels
- Detail of the chain gate on front
- Detail sheet for planters
- Detail sheet for the concrete panels
- Details on lighting changes
- Detail sheet on the security gates

In addition to the above comments, the Board expressed concern about using wire mesh on the building, especially on the 4th Street side. Glass panels may be more appropriate on this side of the building than wire mesh panels and another alternative considered on the building's rear side.

The Board indicated that it would be willing to have a meeting to discuss the revised plans once the information has been prepared.

C. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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