



**Historic Preservation Board
June 13th 2024**

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:18 by Tracy Sullivan in the City of Zephyrhills City Council Chambers, 5335 8th Street, Zephyrhills, FL 33540.

II. Roll Call

Staff present: Hunter Gearhart, Historic Preservation Planner, Tracy Sullivan, board member, Erica Freeman, board member. Tony Kerns, board member.

III. Action Items

1.1 Approval of May Historic Preservation Board meeting minutes

Item was approved.

IV. Consent Items

3.1 Follow Up items from previous HPB meeting

Discussion was had regarding a shed that had been approved by the building department. The shed in question was conflicting in color and material. Gail Hamilton, the CRA director, said she spoke with the applicant and that it was approved by the building department. Questions were raised about the process and staff agreed to flag further development in the historic district. Gail Hamilton also spoke about the differences between the CRA district standards and the historic district standards.

3.2 Downtown Theater Discussion

Discussion was had regarding the purchased home theater on 5th Avenue. CRA director Gail Hamilton guided discussion on next steps and possible uses for the theater. Next steps included hiring of a structural engineer for assessing building feasibility and stability as well as a general clean up of the site. Possible suggestions were brought up such as movie screenings, community plays or shows, and events. Looking to the Tampa theater was also suggested as a way to navigate how the City of Tampa revived a theater.



3.3 Allocation of funds outside the Historic District

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Discussion was led by Hunter Gearhart on applications for grant requests that fall outside the City's Historic District. An application had come in requesting funding for a new roof on a structure outside the Historic District. Discussions brought up unorthodox granting of funding in previous years, but the board and staff concluded that giving grant money to buildings outside the Historic District set a dangerous precedent. Board member Tony Kerns also brought up that the historic grants did not apply to roofs.

Adjourn

