

MINUTES
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING
CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025; 5:00 PM
CITY HALL | 226 WEST 4TH STREET | COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. Call to Order

Present: Anderson, Rashid, Paone, Molacek, Stinocher, Hoff, Tebbitt, Tylka
Excused: Martin
Staff: Berkley, Werderitch

II. Secretary's Report

1. Consideration of the January 27, 2025 Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Hoff, second by Anderson, to approve the January 27, 2025 meeting minutes.
Motion to approve was unanimous by voice vote (8-0).

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

1. Case DR25-06: Request for Design Approval, C-D Downtown Zoning District; Exterior improvements to the Freight House at 401 West River Drive. City of Davenport, petitioner. [Ward 3]

Staff provided an overview of the request to make improvements to the Freight House. The following scope of work is proposed:

1. Replace existing deteriorated wood windows with fixed metal windows.
2. Repair and repaint concrete columns on the river-facing facade.
3. Refurbish double wood doors on the east elevation.
4. Replace the metal door on the 2nd story deck with a matching door and grid pattern. Color to match the replacement windows.
5. Repaint the handrail on the deck and staircase, located on the southeast corner of the building, to match the selected window color.
6. Repair and reinstall the red neon lighting located below the 2nd floor roofline.

The City is also soliciting feedback regarding the color of the replacement window trim, doors, handrails, and concrete columns. The Freight House currently lacks consistency among architectural features.

Staff recommended Case DR25-06 be approved in accordance with the submitted work write-up and materials. The Design Review Board may provide a recommendation regarding product and paint colors.

Ann Martin, Construction Project Manager for the City of Davenport, was in attendance to introduce the project and answer questions.

Motion by Tylka, second by Tebbitt, to approve Case DR25-06 in accordance with the submitted work write-up and materials, subject to the following conditions:

1. The replacement windows and trim shall be dark bronze.
2. The replacement metal patio door shall be dark bronze.
3. Repaint the deck handrails using a dark bronze color.
4. Refurbish the east entrance doors with a natural wood stain.

Motion to approve with conditions was approved by a roll call vote (8-0).

Motion by Tylka, second by Tebbitt, to table the painting of the concrete columns and beams on the south/riverside elevation. The purpose is to provide the City with additional time to select and present several color choices to the Board for review. The initial direction is to present paint options in the medium to dark gray/charcoal color range.

Motion to table was approved by a roll call vote (8-0).

2. Election of Chairperson

Motion by Stinocher, second by Tylka, to nominate Tebbitt as Chairperson. Motion was approved by a roll call vote (8-0).

3. Election of Vice-Chairperson

Motion by Stinocher, second by Tebbitt, to nominate Hoff as Vice-Chairperson. Motion was approved by a roll call vote (8-0).

V. General Discussion

VI. Public Comment

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:18 pm.

VIII. Next Board Meeting: March 24, 2025