

City of Shelbyville

Historic District Commission

315 Washington Street
Shelbyville, KY 40065

HDC Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2025

Call to Order: 5:31 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes (May 20):

Motion: Wells **Second:** Richardson **Approved:** Yes

<u>Members:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Guests Present:</u>
Deborah Magan	X _____	
Stephen Collins	_____	
Rachel Wells	X _____	Travis Curtis, 1012 Main St.
Tom McGinnis (Chair)	_____	
Jim Henson	X _____	
Michele Floyd Richardson	X _____	
Julie Mulcahy	X _____	
Brian Cushing (HDC)	X _____	

Old Business:

New Business:

Chairman Tom McGinnis was unavailable for this meeting and named Historic District Coordinator Brian Cushing as his designee to lead it.

COA Application by Travis Curtis for a new dormer on the rear of 1012 Main Street. The Historic District boundary ends roughly in the middle of the rear yard of this property, leaving the view from Henry Clay unprotected or at least ambiguous. Photos of the rear of the property were reviewed from the perspective of standing in the yard, on the sidewalk, and across the street, showing minimum visibility of the rear of the house due to tree cover. Mr. Curtis stated that the dormer would not be visible from the Main Street side. Commissioners reviewed photos of various angles of the house from the Main Street side and agreed that this is the case. Mr. Curtis stated that the goal of this modification is to extend headroom, making the attic useable. Commissioner Richardson confirmed that with the roof sloped as it is, that area cannot be considered floor space. Mr. Curtis stated that he is willing to work with the commissioners on how it should be finished on the outside. Commissioner Mulcahy asked Brian Cushing if there are existing rules regarding such a thing; he replied that new additions should be consistent in material and scale but easily differentiated from original parts of the house so as not to misrepresent the structure as it existed historically. Based on this, the commissioners and Mr. Curtis agreed that it

should be sided vertically with wood or hardy plank to differentiate it from the original parts of the house, which are sided horizontally. When asked about windows, Mr. Curtis stated that he intended to use the same type that were approved on a previous COA. There was further discussion of looking for old photos of the house as decorative material appears to have been removed from the front gables, likely when it was sided with aluminum. Commissioner Mulcahy volunteered to check with Nancy Hill. Brian Cushing also has picture files he can review. Paint scheme to be reviewed at a future meeting; the commissioners agreed that multiple colors would be appropriate given the house's construction date (circa 1880s) and so its distinctive details are clearly visible.

Motion to approve: Commissioner Henson. Second: Commissioner Mulcahy. All in favor.

COA Application by Shelby Main Street for a mural reading, "Welcome to Main Street Shelbyville Kentucky" on the West wall of I Do Bridal facing Stargazer Plaza. Full application read aloud by Brian Cushing. The merits and appropriateness of the design and placement were discussed at length. Please see COA and attached feedback from commissioners for details.

Motion to approve: Commissioner Magan. Second: Commissioner Wells. All in favor.

COA Application by Jennifer and David Stenger for a flagpole at 810 Henry Clay St. The pole would not significantly obscure the view of the house from the street but the commissioners asked that any solid foundation be kept to a minimum so as not to dominate the yard. Initially, the commissioners put a condition in place that the flag(s) flown be limited to those of the United States of America and/or the Commonwealth of Kentucky but further discussion lead to a decision that this was too could lead to a problematic precedent going forward so it was removed. Commissioner Richardson vouched for Mrs. Stenger's commitment to quality work and tasteful display.

Motion to approve: Commissioner Henson. Second: Commissioner Richardson. All in favor.

Other Business:

Adjourn: Motion: Commissioner Henson **Seconded:** Commissioner Wells **Approved Time:** 6:19 p.m.