



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

300 Martin Luther King Blvd.

August 14, 2025

TIME: 4:30 PM

1. A CALL TO ORDER

Rush Denson called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mike Buckalew to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Aaron Bushey. All approved.

1. Approve May 8, 2025 minutes

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(Limit comments to 3 minutes or less)

Rush Denson opened the floor for public comments. There were none.

4. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

5. NEW BUSINESS

2. 509 S. 7th St: Geneva Historic District
COA: Enclose Side Door

Applicant: Jimmy Allen Builders, LLC

Staff presented the proposal to enclose a door on the side of the building to allow for interior kitchen build-out and ventilation. Infill will be blocked to match the existing exterior. This is a noncontributing structure inside the historic district.

There was no further discussion.

A motion was made by Debbie Purves to approve as presented. The motion was seconded by Linda Lanz. All approved.

3. 213 S. 8th St: Downtown Historic District
COA: Replace side door, Awning, add Pilasters

Staff gave an overview of the proposed replacement of the side door and addition of metal standing seam awning and pilaster columns. The applicant provided several options for the door unit, including two wood doors and one fiberglass door. Staff explained the applicant wanted to add the pilasters to tie in with the pilaster on the front of the building and the wood archway leading to Courthouse Square.

The wood doors are preferred over a fiberglass door for downtown. However, it would depend on the quality of the fiberglass door.

The applicant stated their first choice was the mahogany door unit. They believe with the new awning and slope of the patio, weathering will be minimal. The pilaster height will be adjusted to fit the door frame and position of lighting.

A motion was made by Mike Buckalew to approve. If the applicant chooses to install a fiberglass door unit, additional information will need to be provided to staff for review and approval prior to installation. The motion was seconded by Aaron Bushey. All approved.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

4. Enforcement Report
There was no report.
5. Staff Report
Staff had nothing additional to report.
6. Next meeting DATE
1. Next meeting September 11, 2025

7. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Aaron Bushey to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mike Buckalew. All approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Rush Denson, Chair

Linda Lanz, Secretary