

Ordinance No. 2542

ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 23-3-5(B)(6) OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT
ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE THE STRUCTURE LOCATED UPON
143 KELLER AVENUE CITY OF BILOXI LANDMARKS

WHEREAS, under Section 23-3-5(B)(6) of the City's Code of Ordinances, the Architectural and Historical Review Commission (AHRC) may recommend and the City Council may approve the designation of a landmark if the AHRC finds that the proposed landmark is an improved site or tract including a building or structure that fulfills one or more of the following:

1. It exemplifies or reflects the broad cultural, political, economic or social history of the nation, state, county or city; or
2. It is identified with historic personages or with important events in national, state or local history; or
3. It embodies distinguished characteristics of an architectural type or is a specimen inherently valuable for the study of a period, style, method of construction or use of indigenous materials or craftsmanship; or
4. It is representative of the notable work of a master builder, designer or architect whose individual ability has been recognized or who influenced his age; and

WHEREAS, the AHRC has received applications from Deborah Bolins and Gregory Knapp, the owners of 143 Keller Avenue requesting that the home be designated as City of Biloxi Landmark; and

WHEREAS, the Architectural and Historical Review Commission met on December 28, 2023, to review the application of 143 Keller Avenue, they determined that the proposed City of Biloxi Landmark complies with the above stated criteria.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: Section 23-3-5(B)(6)(b) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Biloxi is hereby amended to add the following building as a Biloxi Landmark:

143 Keller Avenue

SECTION TWO: Upon unanimous vote of the members of the City Council, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, because it serves the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of Biloxi, and good cause exists for same. If not a unanimous vote this Ordinance shall become effective as soon thereafter as is signed, certified, and as is otherwise provided by law.

The foregoing Ordinance having first been reduced to writing, was read by the Clerk and moved by Councilmember Lawrence, seconded by Councilmember Tisdale, and was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS:	Lawrence	Deming	NAYS:	None
	Gines	Tisdale		
	Newman	Glavan		

The President then declared the Ordinance adopted this the 20th day of February, 2024.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



Kei Campbell
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

[Signature]
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

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Submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 23rd day of February, 2024.

APPROVED:



MAYOR

**ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL REVIEW COMMISSION
CASE FACT SHEET**

Case No.: AHRC 23-050
Name of Applicant: Deborah Bolin and Gregory Knapp
Address of Property: 143 Keller Avenue
Tax Parcel/Ward: 1410J-04-028.000 / Ward 1
Most Nearly Bounded By (streets): North of Jenkins Lane
South of Howard Avenue
East of Lee St
West of Keller Avenue

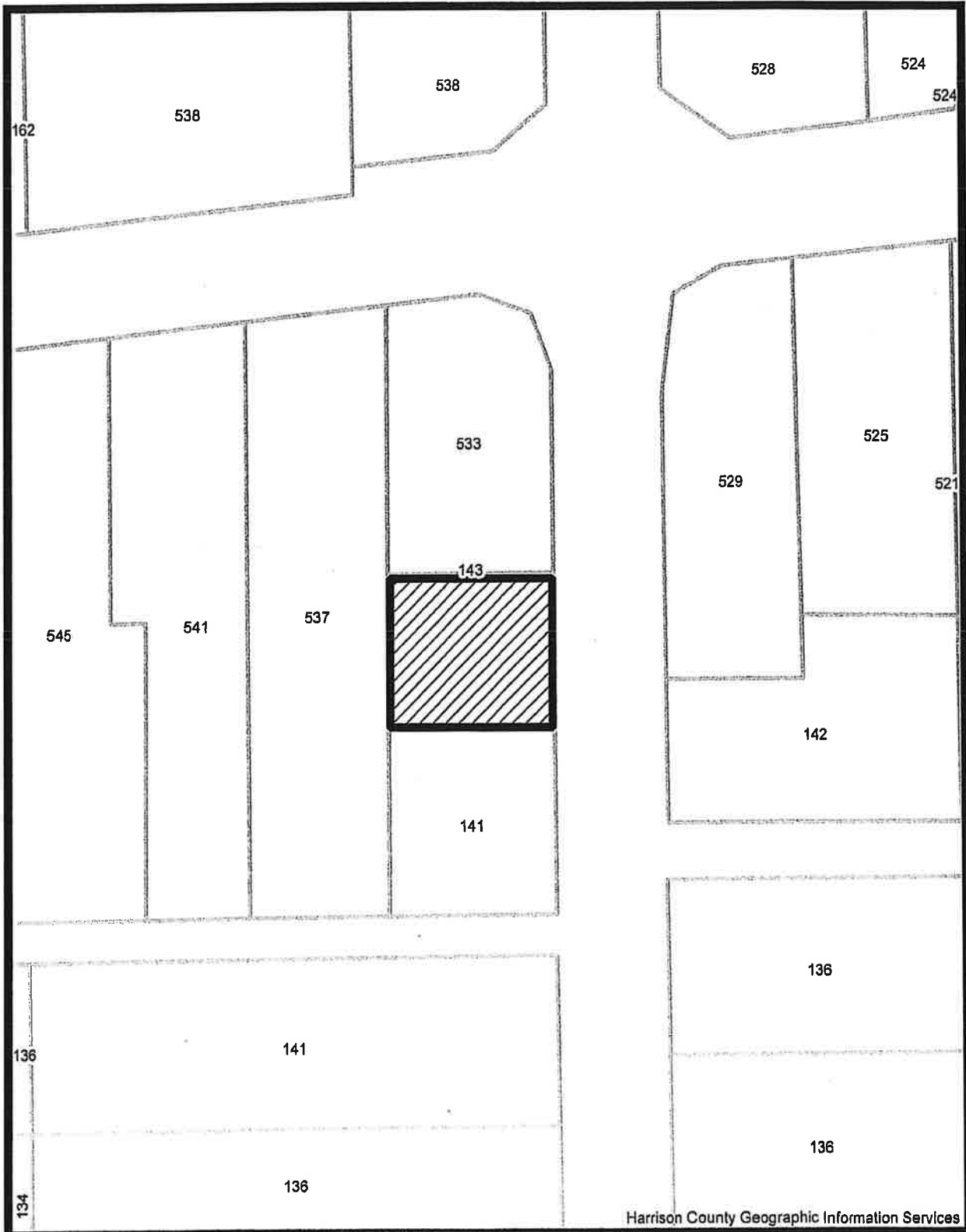
Request: Landmark Status
Size of Property: 60 x 53.2 sq. feet
Present Zoning: NB
Present Use: Residence
Historic District: None

FAILS TO MEET PLANNING CODE REQUIREMENTS
Comments/Recommendations:

MEETS PLANNING CODE REQUIREMENTS, OKAY TO PROCESS
Comments/Recommendations:

Marilyn Jew
Planner Historical Administrator
Date: 12/28/2023

AHRC Case No. 23-050
143 Keller Avenue
Landmark Status





Certificate of Appropriateness

City of Biloxi Department of Community Development

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 508, Blvd., Biloxi, MS 39530

Office Location: 676 Dr. MLK Blvd.,

Building (228) 435-6270 Planning (228) 435-6266 Fax (228) 435-6188

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT	Ward: <u>1</u>	DATE: <u>12-4-2023</u>
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AHRC Case No.: 23-050

Date Submitted: 12-4-2023

Tax Parcel Number:

Hearing Date: 12-28-2023

14105-04-028.000

Zoning Classification: NB

143 Keller Avenue

Property Size: 60 x 53.2

Address of Property to be reviewed

Deborah Bolin
Gregory Knapp

Name of Rightful Owner (Please Print)

Name of Applicant, if different from owner

136 Keller Avenue

Address, if different from above

Address

(317) 418-0003

Home Phone

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HISTORIC DISTRICT/PROPERTY:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> West Central Historical District | <input type="checkbox"/> Downtown Historical District | N <u>JACKSON ST</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Point Cadet Historical District | <input type="checkbox"/> West Beach Historical District | S <u>HOWARD AVE</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> East Central Historical District | <input type="checkbox"/> Edgewater Park Historical District | E <u>143 ST</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): <u>landmark</u> | | W <u>KELLER AVE</u> |

MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR CASE REVIEW*:

- Photographs Renderings Color Samples Sample Materials Sign Depictions
- Site Plans (Including elevations**) Landscaping Plans Property size

* All materials must be submitted before an application will be considered.

** Exterior elevations, drawn to scale, which depict the proposed construction. Perspective renderings or isometric drawings are encouraged to communicate complicated projects.

WORK PROPOSED:

- Erect Replace Alter Repair Addition to Demolish Other landmark

Describe nature of the work to be reviewed (please describe in as much detail as possible the project you are proposing). seeking landmark status

Application is hereby made for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a building, structure, or premises as identified and described within this application. I agree to comply with all the laws, ordinances, and regulations enforced by the City of Biloxi Community Development Department in pursuit of this

Deborah Bolin
Signature of Rightful Owner

Deborah Bolin
Signature of Applicant

136 Keller Avenue

Mailing Address (if different)

Mailing Address (if different)

If someone other than the applicant needs to be notified concerning this case, please note name(s) and address (es) below:

Name:

Address:

Application Received by:

Mandy Hornsby

By receiving this application, staff verifies the completeness of the application.

Approved as submitted

Approved with conditions (see notes below)

Disapproved

REMARKS:

ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL REVIEW COMMISSION

The purpose of the Architectural and Historical Review Commission (AHRC) is to ensure the provision of functional, safe, innovative and attractive site development compatible with the City's manmade and unique natural environment, and to protect against developments within certain more sensitive areas of the City which may degrade and or deprecate the image, beauty and character of the City. The AHRC recognizes that such adverse impacts affect the livelihood of the community in general and the surrounding neighborhoods in particular.

Regularly scheduled AHRC meetings are held at 8:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, when applications have been presented for review. The applicant or interested parties may contact the Planning Division office at (228) 435-6266 subsequent to the meeting at which any final decision is made, as indicated herein, and will be advised of any action taken by the AHRC regarding a specific case.

All projects or developments involving moving or removal of a structure, demolition, exterior improvements to existing structures or any new construction located within an Architectural Review District, Historic District or Neighborhood Heritage District, as identified within the City of Biloxi's Architectural Review Ordinance, must be submitted to the Architectural and Historical Review Commission for approval. Copies of the Architectural and Historical Review Ordinance may be obtained through the Planning Division Office.

Please note that AHRC approval does not waive any permits or licenses required by the city, county or state. It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain any and all necessary permits for work performed.

APPEALS

Applicants or interested parties which are aggrieved with the decision of the AHRC have ten (10) calendar days after the AHRC takes action in which to advise the Clerk of the City Council, in writing, that they are aggrieved with the decision of the AHRC and have elected to appeal a decision of that body to the City Council. This notification will place the matter on the agenda of the City Council, as per Section 2-8-16 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Biloxi.

TREE PERMIT

Tree permits are required before the removal or trimming of any protected tree, in accordance with the City of Biloxi's Land Development Ordinance. The Land Development Ordinance is available here <http://www.biloxi.ms.us/resources/code-of-ordinances/>.

Application for
Biloxi Landmark
Designation

1. Name of person nominating the property: Deborah Bolint
Gregory Knapp
2. Address of person nominating the property: 136 Keller Avenue
3. Phone number of person nominating the property: 317-418-0003
4. Address of property being nominated as a Biloxi Landmark or Biloxi Landmark site: 143 Keller Avenue
5. Are you the owner of this property? Yes No
6. If no, please describe your relationship with this property: _____

7. Please include any historical information you can provide on the property, such as date of building construction, architect, former owners, former uses of property, or any other pertinent information: Original owner
Martin Fountain, Sr.

8. Please attach current photographs of the property showing all elevations, architectural features such as windows, doors, porches and other details.
9. Please attach copies of any other information related to the history of the property you would like to provide, such as newspaper articles, deeds or historic photographs.

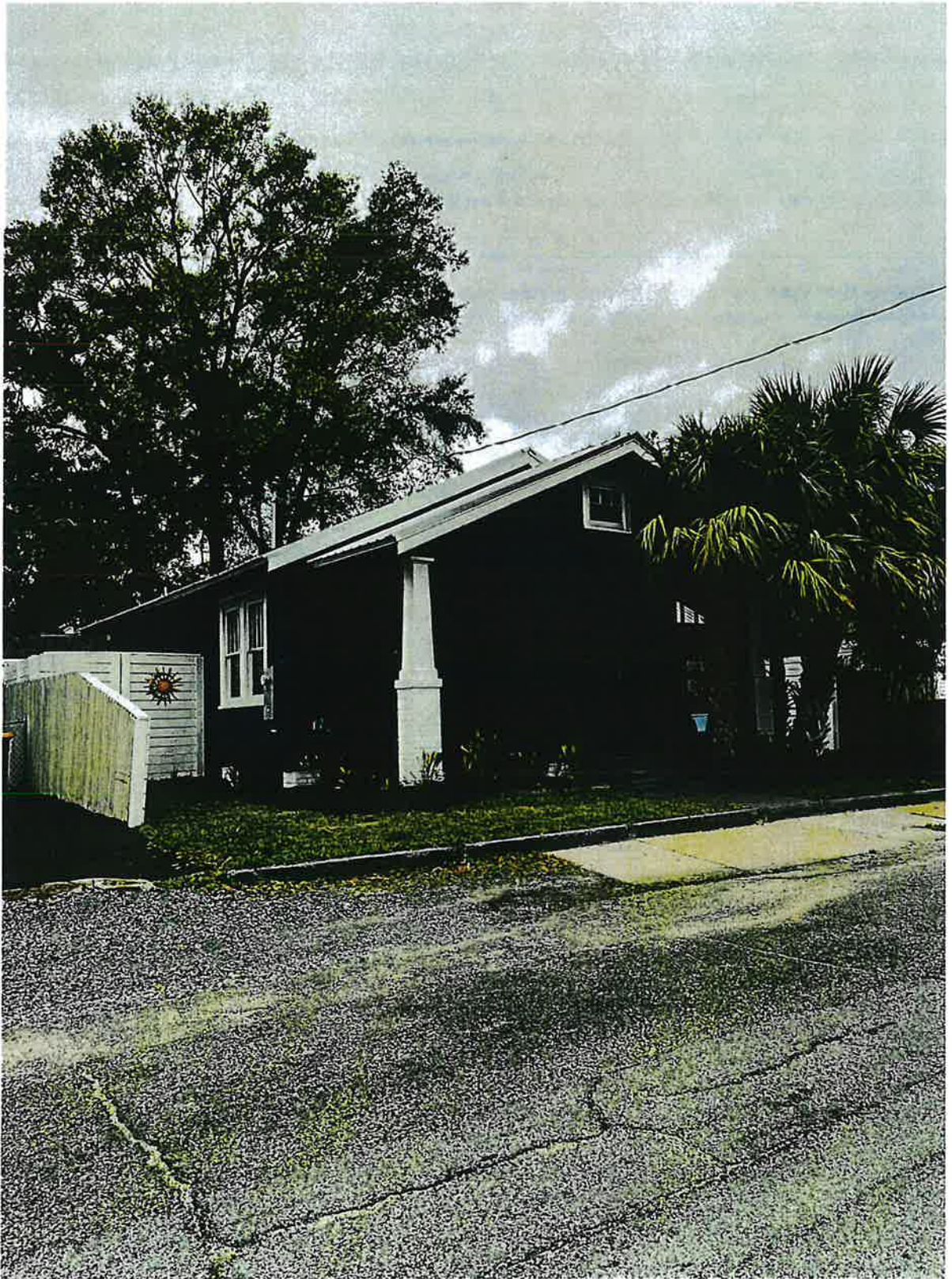
Please return this completed application to the City of Biloxi, P.O. Box 508, Biloxi, MS 39533.

If you have any questions regarding the Biloxi Landmark or Biloxi Landmark Site designation process, please contact Bill Raymond, Historical Administrator, at 228-435-6244.

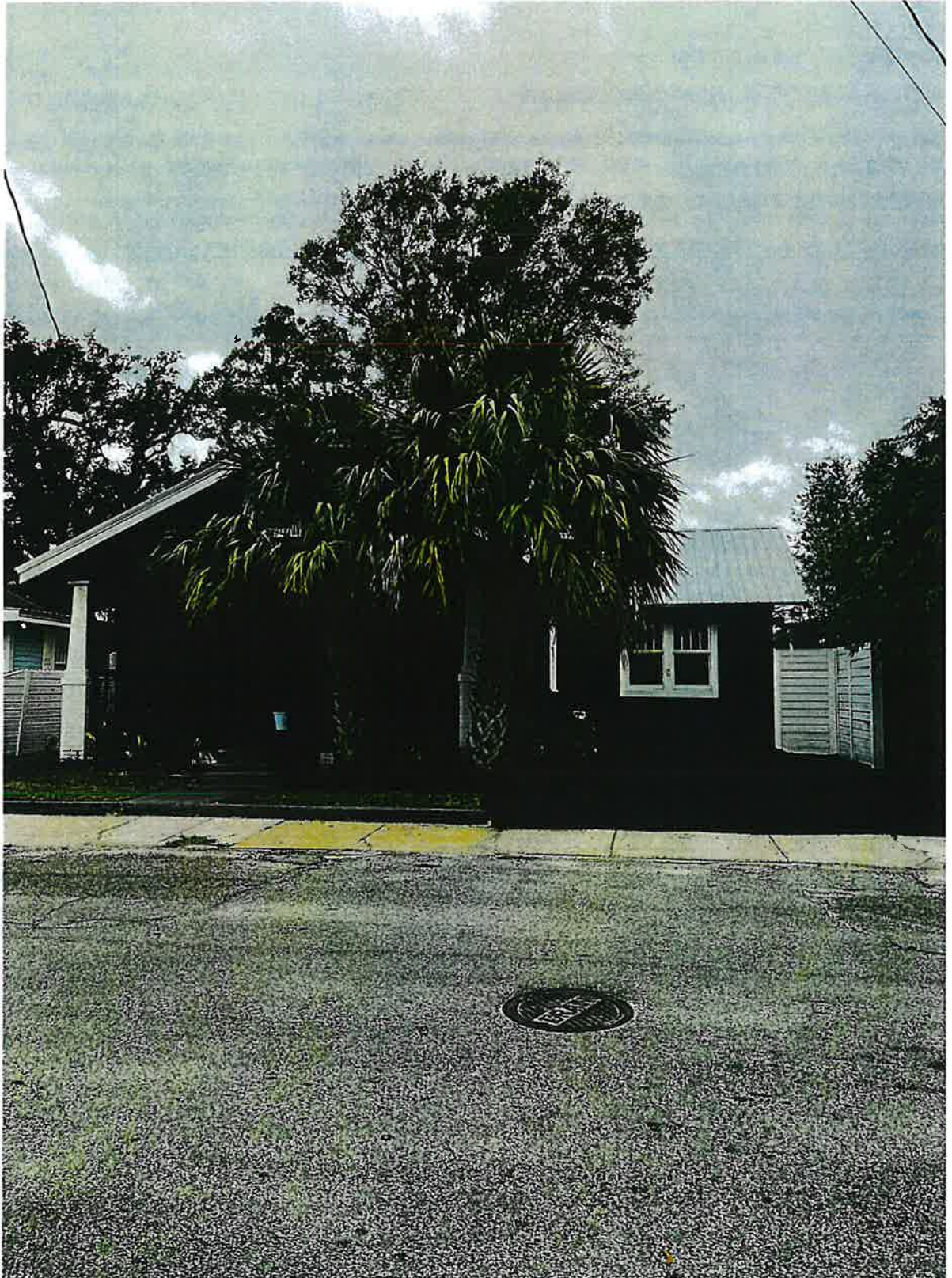
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Source - Biloxi Historic Resource
Inventory

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Biloxi Permits for Month of May

The building permits issued from the office of City Commissioner Michael during May totaled \$38,250, which was less than previous months.

The 17 permits include the Model Home at Oak Park for \$10,000 and Buena Vista Kitchen and Convention Hall for \$9,000. The detailed permits follow:

> Martin Fountain Sr., Keller Ave. 1000.; Frank Cassanova, Cuevas St. (4 houses) 400. each; L. W. Hood, E. Howard, 700.; Mrs. J. T. Swetman, Division (2 houses) 600. each; John S. Hord, Jackson, 3000.; Mrs. C. A. Tucei, Bohu, 1000.; Mrs. Belle Ramon, Keller, 350.; Lorea Seymour, Croesus, 1000.; Thad G. Stearns, Magnolia Heights, 3000.; Richard Lamey, Cuevas, (2 houses) 1200.; Mrs. G. B. Cousins, Water, 4000.; New Dominion Realty Co., Oak Park (Model Home) 10,000.; Pete Jordon, Holly, 300.; Buena Vista Kitchen, W. Beach, 3000.; Homer Claiborne, 400.; Buena Vista (Convention Hall) 6000.

Witnesses Discharged in Padlock Suits

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- JACKSON W—Comd
 612 Lavinia Hills
 701 M B Spotswood
 702 First Evangelical
 Lutheran Ch.
 705 Nathan Wyndfield
 707 James Myers
 714 D F Robinson
 715 M L Buckingham
 719 Vacant
 722 W J Thomas
 Thomas
 810 Bernadine Thibau
 811 L W Stevens
 812 Vacant
 908 J C Couquet
- JEFFERSON, From
 Nixon to Knbn, 3 n of
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 296 Ross Collins*
 297 Junius Reid*
 298 Louise Blatt*
 299 Lewis Meyers*
 300 Julia Hamblin*
 302 Phoebe Douglas*
 303 John Gleason*
 304 Joseph Cole*
 305 John McNeal*
 307 Mabel Warberg*
 Nixon
- 408 Hanson Johnson*
 405 Jacob Williams*
 407 Sarah Meyers*
 411 Mary Auerbach*
 419 Daniel Bell*
 420 Fattie Anthony*
 422 Arzella Wiggins*
 519 Ethel Wood*
 528 Bernie Blachardt*
 537 Mabel Johnson*
 535 Frances Smith*
 536 Patrick Coetzalo*
 541 Robert Alexander*
 543 Henry Leahy*
 Lee
- 601 Mrs Clara Ramon
 606 Antonio Gilbert
 611 Delmar Smallwood*
 625 Corinne Whiny*
 626 Daniel Quirk*
 633 Eleanor Kimball*
- 629 Sarah White*
 KRATZ AV
 119 Vacant
 120 Vacant
 121 Vacant
 129 Mrs Minna Leage
 131 Augusta Lewis
 207 Vacant
 209 Vacant
 210 John Sheb
 211 P C Ott
 213 C W Matthews
 214 Doraal Bookar
 216 Vacant
 217 Harriou Sharp
 219 J I Slay
 222 Harry Bottling Wye
 304 Wm Moran
 401 (400) Oscar Meant
 405 Richard Payne*
 500 Wm Bettie*
 504 Wm Seymour*
 801 F E Desports
 1109 C M Carndits
- KELLY AV & RNUB,
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- KIRK, From e Beach to
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 202 Vesta Ventzell
 206 Thomas Kneale
 206 Brian Arguelles
 208 C C Strong
 214 Wm Williams
 216 Thomas Howard
 218 Ella Lewis
 219 Samuel Furtler
 221 Vacant
- LAMRUSE, North from
 Beach av to Beach Bay,
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 113 Ethel Dismukes
 117 Mrs R N Williams
 118 Mrs Barbara Madge
 133 J W Apperson

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120 Zaites Muehl
129 Bachemah Geo
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110 Lee Saml
111 Lynd S J
114 Hilton Geo
125 Wilkes G W Sons
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126 Redding Escher A
DeJannery intersecks
200 Redding V C
201 Benedict A J Mrs
205 Duncan F C Mrs
Williams G S
206 Mikonl Harry
Magnolia intersecks
314 St Amant N P
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Voivedich Vincent
315 Tremmel Aug
Croesus intersecks
401 Frenz A L
402 McCormick Orby
403 Burgess W H
405 Welch J T
407 DeLace Wilfred
411 Bernard G C
412 Marie Vincent
413 Raymond F B
Raynold intersecks
Rayard intersecks
608 Collum John
609 Gutierrez Adele Mrs
612 Cassagne Ellen Mrs
Thomas intersecks
701 Spotswood M B
702 First Hyvangelical Luth Ch
705 Vacant
706 Minor G W
707 Meyers Jas
716 Ramsey May Mrs
718 Cuevas Chas
719 Reed F B
722 Thomas W J
Cuevas intersecks
810 Tuhin G P

811 Abbley F P
812 Vacant
820 Ingram Ben Rev
908 Buena Vista Hotel Annex
JEFFERSON — From Nixon to
Kuhb, s n of E Howard
297 Reid Junius (c)
298 Blair Louise (c)
299 Vacant
300 Hannahal Josephine (c)
302 Douglas Phoebe
303 Gleason Lillie (c)
304 Brown Mary (c)
305 House Viny (c)
306 Smith Ida (c)
307 Warberg Mabel (c)
310 Reed Geo (c)
Nixon intersecks
401 Washington Roy (c)
405 Gray Madeline (c)
407 Vacant
411 Augustine Mary (c)
419 Ball D W (c)
420 Richards Victor (c)
422 Wiegins Clark (c)
519 Jones Wm (c)
521 Plumb Annie (c)
528 Matthews Lillie (c)
525 Smith Frances (c)
527 Johnson Mozell (c)
536 Vacant
541 Alexander Robt (c)
543 Lashley Henry (c)
545 Dickson Fred (c)
Lee intersecks
603 Westbrook Chas
611 Smallwood Delmas (c)
621 Wymby Corinne (c)
623 Randolph Robt (c)
624 Lewis Isaac (c)
625 Quick Danl (c)
629 Johnson Ada (c)
633 Johnson Arche (c)
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117 Barrow Jesse
118 Jones J D
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KEHLER AV — From E Beach av
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207 Louis Augusta Mrs
208 Vacant
209 Martin G O
210 Steib John
210 1/2 Terry G T
211 Ott P C
212 Walsworth Nancy
213 Green C E
214 Robb H N
216 Trochasset L V
217 Kuebel J O
219 McClane Alice Mrs
221 Pounah H F
222 Bard's Bottling Works
223 Fountain Martin
224 Ramon J J
304 Moran Wm
305 Vacant
306 Weems M L Mrs
E Howard intersecks
Washington intersecks
400 Meant Oscar
L & N R B intersecks
701 (500) Battle Wm (c)
703 (504) Ball Ada (c)
723 Miller G D
724 Clabornie Ferd
725 Miller J S
Despotte T H
407 (803) White W W
408 Schneider C J
409 Barton Wm
410 Vacant

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208 Nobles Frank
209 Comfort Edw
KELLEY AV — From Main to
Nixon, 1 n of E Railroad av
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Bay av, 11 e of Lamense
200 Vacant
202 Merritt C C
206 Kneale Thos
206 Everett Alf
207 Williams T B
208 Kopaszwa Edw
214 Williams W H
216-18 Howard Thos
219 Fortner Saml
221 Vacant
LAFAYETTE AV — West from
Bench to Forest av, 1 south of
Bay of Biloxi
LAREUSE — North from Beach av
to Back Bay, the dividing line
for streets running e and w
113 Dismukes W Ethel
117 Williams R N Mrs
119 Madge Barbara Mrs
123 Despotte Peter
127 Plumbing Service
Johnson Edna
133 Grill The
Grayson G W
136 Appertson J W
137 U S Coast Guard Office
138 Gahne J W
141 Dewitt T K
145 Welding Clara
147 Skrametti Realty Co
Water av intersecks
200 Joyner Peacan Co
Joyner W H Real Estate Co
201 Coast Plumbing Co
Donald's Garage
202 Cooper Mary S
204 Wilyz G J
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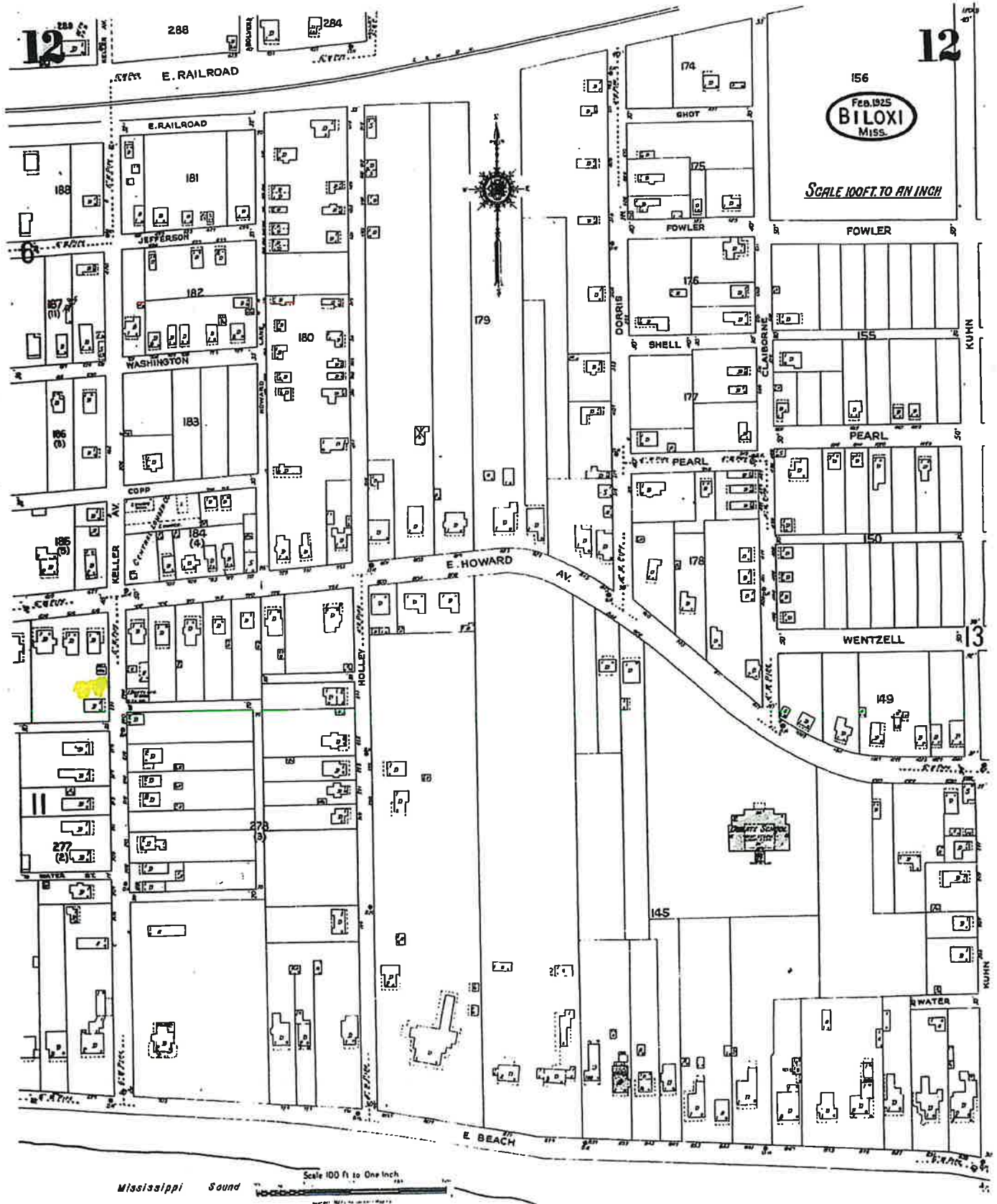
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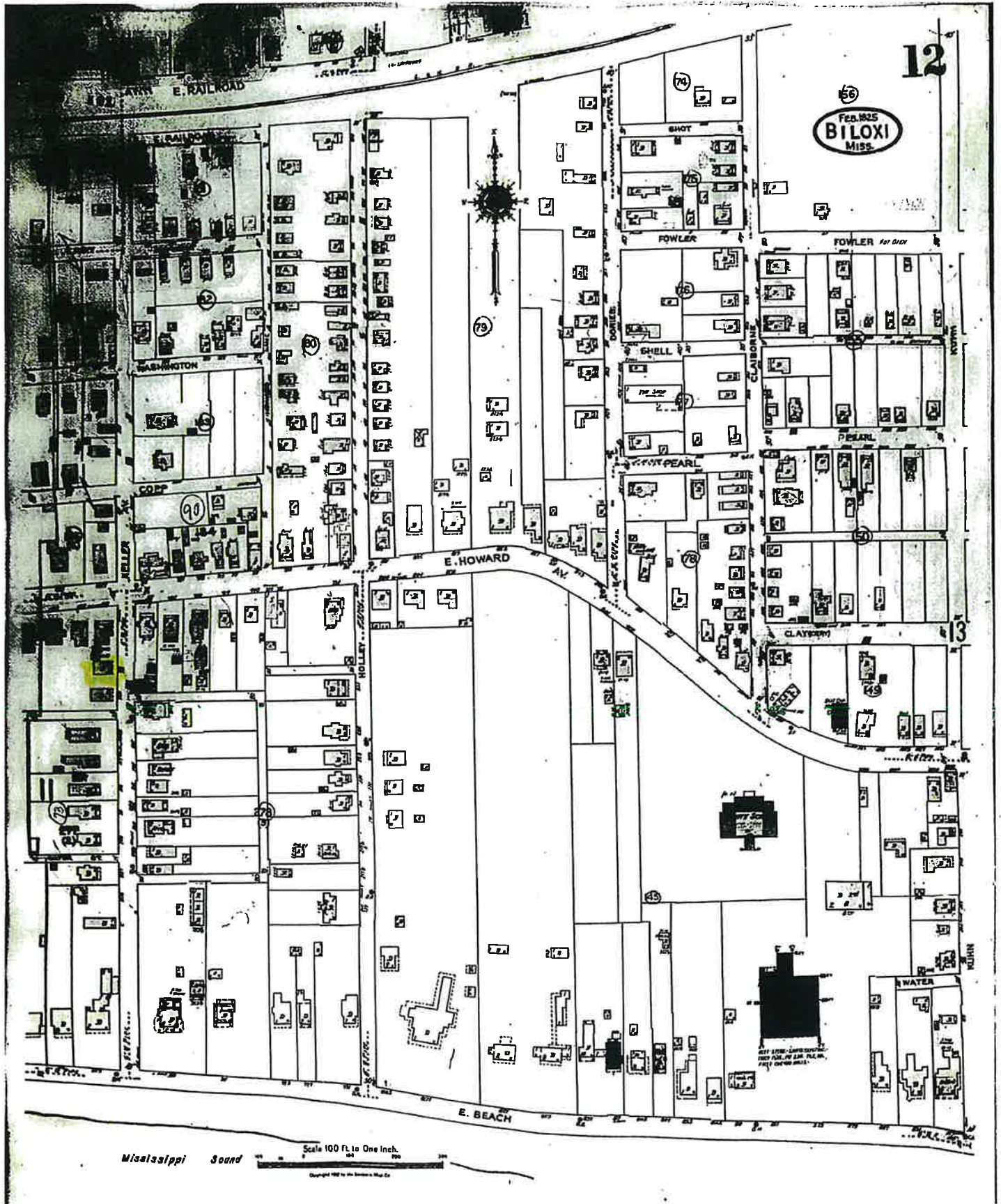
1925 Sanborn Map 1925
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Mississippi Sound

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Sanborn map 1944 update



Search Results	Fact Sheet	Architectural	Photos	Map
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Location Information
(for the bungalow)

Name: bungalow
Address: 143 Keller Avenue
City/County: Biloxi, Harrison County

Architectural Information

Construction Date: 1930
Architectural Style(s): Craftsman
No. of Stories: 1

Registration Information

NR District Name: East Howard Avenue (2015)
NR Status: Contributing
Element No.: 63
MPS: Historic Resources of Biloxi

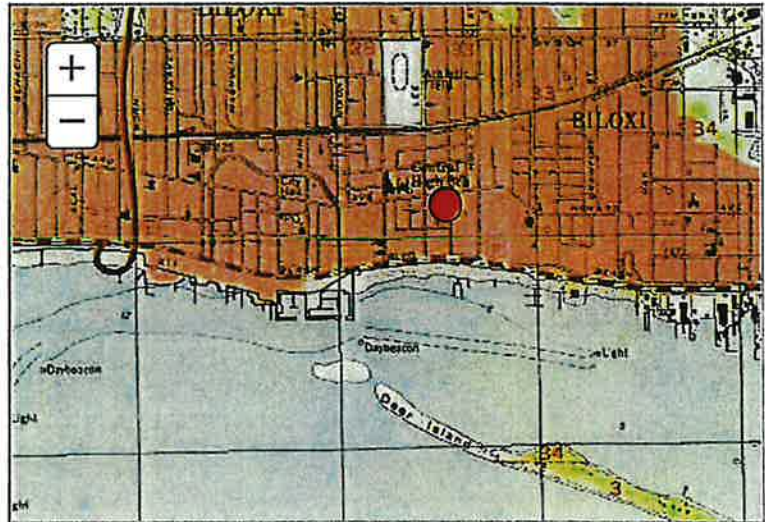
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Picture 1

E.Reisman, MDAH



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Brief Description

One-story, wood-frame, two-bay-wide (w-dw) Craftsman gable-front Bungalow with a gable-partial porch supported by tapered columns on pedestals spanned by 2x4 framing. Bay 2 entry is a 6-panel door. Windows are single and paired 6/6, 4/1, and 3/1 wood double-hung-sash. Features include exposed rafters and a 3/1 fixed wood window in the gable end. The house has a brick pier foundation, clapboard siding, and an asphalt shingle roof.

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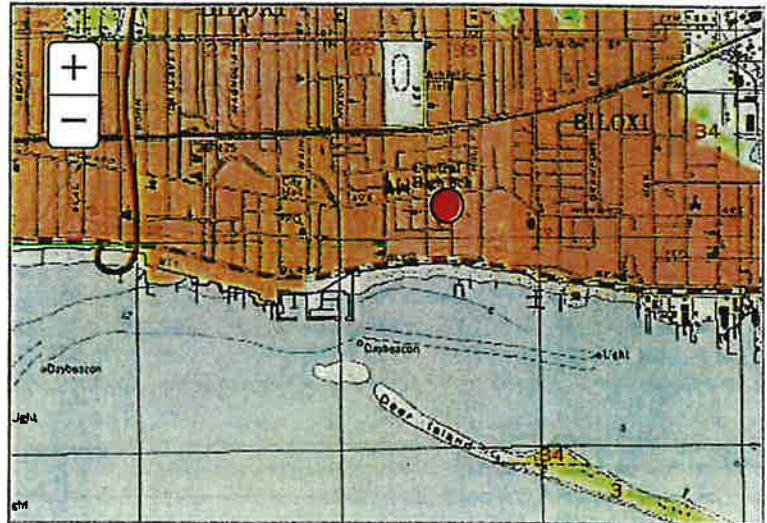
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Historic Information

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Martin Fountain, Sr., Is Taken By Death

Martin Fountain, Sr., 82, pioneer shipbuilder, a widely known and well liked Biloxian, died at 1 a. m. today at his home, 327 Hoxie Street. He was a native of Jackson County, residing in the North Biloxi section for many years and in Biloxi 35 years.

The funeral will be at 3:30 p. m. Wednesday from the home with services at St. Michael's Church and Biloxi Cemetery by Father Herbert Mullin.

As a shipbuilding carpenter he was known over much of the south. He had worked in this field since a young man and was one of its earliest and best known figures. For several years he also was associated with the Foster-Fountain Packing Co. and during his early life he had operated on boats. For several years he had not been active in his trade, but he had only been sick about a week.

In former years he participated as a skipper on schooners during the famous boat races and he is said to have built more than 100 schooners, including boats for Redding, Joullian, Kennedy, Dukate and others. He was superintendent for the old Biloxi Drydocks.

His well known skill as a designer and builder brought him into prominence and his shipyard always was taxed to capacity.

He is survived by his wife, Clementine Nobles; two daughters, Mrs. L. V. Trochesset and Mrs. Jos. Montgomery, and four sons.
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Herald

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The Daily
Herald
Sept. 20, 1938
P. 4

Martin Fountain, Sr., Is Taken By Death

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Martin Jr., Randolph, Walter and Henry by a former marriage to the late Mary Elizabeth Ladner, who has been dead six years; 41 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

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MRS. FOUNTAIN DIES

Mrs. Elizabeth Ladnier Fountain, died at her residence, 223 Kellar avenue, last night at 8:30 o'clock. She was 69 years old, a native of North Biloxi and a resident of Biloxi for the past 28 years. She was a member of one of Biloxi's pioneer families and was well known along this section. She was the wife of Martin Fountain, Sr., well known Biloxi boat building and builder of some of Biloxi's finest craft of the fishing fleet as well as racing schooner. She was a devout mother, rearing a large family and endeared herself to all who came in contact with her, being a kindly neighbor always willing to help those near her. She was the mother of the late Gussie Fountain and six children survive, four sons, Martin, Jr., Randolph, Walter and Henry Fountain two daughters, Mrs. Louise Trochesset and Mrs. Joe Montgomery and two brothers Delmas and William Ladnier. Funeral services will be conducted from the home at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and at the Church of the Nativity. Interment will be in the Biloxi cemetery.

The Daily Herald
Oct. 23, 1972



MIKE GILLICH

Mike Gillich dies

Mike (Chicago) Gillich, 85, died 11 a.m. Sunday at Howard Memorial Hospital in Biloxi, where he had been a patient since Tuesday.

Mr. Gillich was a native of Siene Palmatia, Yugoslavia, and lived in Biloxi for 65 years, residing at 223 Kellar Ave.

He was a retired commercial fisherman and a member of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church in Biloxi.

Mr. Gillich is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rosa Gulch Gillich; two sons, Andrew M. Gillich and Mike Gillich Jr., both of Biloxi; four daughters, Mrs. Lucille Barg, Miss Mary Gillich and Miss Anna Mae Gillich, all of Biloxi; and Mrs. Frances McKinnon of St. Paul, Minn.; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday from the Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Biloxi, followed by Requiem Mass at Nativity B.V.M. Church.

Recitation of the rosary will be at 8 p.m. Monday. Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. Monday.

**ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL REVIEW COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Biloxi, Mississippi
December 28, 2023**

The Architectural and Historical Review Commission held a called meeting on Thursday, December 28, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Municipal Building, located at 676 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard in Biloxi.

Le'Roy Carney called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. and recorded the members present establishing a quorum.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Le'Roy Carney, Chair
Susan Hathaway
Randy Barras
Corey Christy
Carol Vaughn

OTHERS PRESENT

Mandy Hornsby, Historical Administrator
Felicia Serpas, Sr. Planner
Jon Lambert, Code Enforcement Officer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Elmer Williams
Harry Joachim
Kevin Felsher
Wallace 'Chip' Barnes, Vice Chair

INVOCATION BY: Carol Vaughn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Le'Roy Carney

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Corey Christy introduced a motion to approve the minutes from December 14, 2023, AHRC meeting. The motion was seconded by Carol Vaughn and carried unanimously as follows:

AYES: Carney, Hathaway, Barras, Christy, Vaughn
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
NOTES: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Corey Christy introduced a motion to approve the agenda for December 28, 2023 AHRC meeting. The motion was seconded by Carol Vaughn and carried unanimously as follows:

AYES: Carney, Hathaway, Barras, Christy, Vaughn
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
NOTES: None

APPLICANT'S REQUEST:

Case No. 23-050
143 Keller Avenue
Seeking landmark status

Deborah Bolin and Gregory Knapp

Mr. Gregory Knapp, owner, presented why he was seeking historic designation for the house at 143 Keller Avenue previously 223 Keller Avenue craftsman style with gable on the front, insert screen porch. The original builder and owner of the property from June 23, 1926 then passed to his wife and son and then Mike Gillich is another owner of the property. Martin Fountain Sr. was a boat builder, built schooners, and worked on dry docks in Biloxi.

Mr. Carney asked what the house use was. Mr. Knapp answered it is currently an Airbnb and was renovated from a tear down list. Mr. Knapp discussed the homes on the street that are Airbnb and they also own 136 Keller. Mr. Carney clarified that it was being designated a historical site.

Ms. Carol Vaughn asked when the building dated back to. Mr. Knapp answered 1926.

Ms. Carol Vaughn asked what his reasoning was for having the landmark. Mr. Knapp responded he believed it is and he wanted to keep it looking good and that way. He stated they had no plans to sell the property.

Mr. Randy Barras asked when a property is labeled a historic landmark what does that protect. Mrs. Mandy Hornsby, historical administrator, answered that it will put any structures within 250 feet of the landmark within the same rules of the AHRC. It also allows for some rules for the city to intervene if the property falls into neglect to a certain extent. Ms. Vaughn and Mr. Barras gave the example if it is disserted.

Mrs. Felicia Serpas, senior planner, also mentioned there was more opportunity for grants and some flood issues are given more leeway with historic structures. Mr. Knapp asked if he would not have to elevate it and Mrs. Serpas answered possibly.

Mr. Barras asked if it flooded during Katrina. Mr. Knapp answered he purchased it last year and was not sure if it flooded. Mr. Carney and Mr. Knapp discussed some of the flood levels in the area. Mr. Carney stated a mechanic on Lee Street had water over from the railroad track. Mr. Knapp discussed another property they raised for flooding.

Mr. Le'Roy Carney asked about the designation of a property being in historical in nature. He asked if there were certain guidelines in construction and what has been added. Mrs. Hornsby answered that it is asked that you keep as much of the original structure and material to qualify.

Mr. Knapp added that it has all of the original windows, the original interior doors, majority of the siding is original also. Ms. Vaughn asked about the flooring and Mr. Knapp answered it is now laminate flooring because the original flooring could not be saved.

Mr. Carney asked for staff recommendations. Mrs. Hornsby answered that she assisted with the research for this house so she knows its history better than others on the street. Although 1926 does not seem that long ago we are lucky to still have it this close to the beach and this close to the Barq's Building that has survived. Mr. Knapp has taken the care to restore it and get it back functioning as a place for somewhere for people to sleep. Some interested Biloxi residents have lived there. Mr. Gillich who is the grandfather of our current mayor. Mr. Fountain who was a local boat builder who contributed to part of our local identity and local culture. Staff recommendation is that it be designated a landmark.

Randy Barras introduced a motion to approve Case No. 23-050 and was seconded by Carol Vaughn. The motion was carried unanimously as follows:

AYES: Carney, Hathaway, Barras, Christy, Vaughn
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
NOTES: None

Case No. 23-051
156 Nixon Street
Erect new signage
Next to Landmark

Jennifer and Drew Weber

Mr. Le'Roy Carney asked for clarification of the applicant request wanting signage for the two businesses in the building. Corey Christy asked which signs were being approved.

Mrs. Hornsby called applicant, Jennifer Weber, on speaker. Mrs. Weber wants to place signs on the building since the street signage does not qualify. Mrs. Hornsby asked for clarification about signage. Mrs. Weber stated on the building identifying each suite, a small sign to identify each parking lot, and signs on the building facing the street.

Mrs. Vaughn asked if the signs would be lit or just wooden. Mrs. Weber answered they would not be lit up and Mrs. Hornsby clarified they are aluminum.

Mrs. Vaughn asked where they sign on the fence be located. Mrs. Weber described they would be right on the entrance and Mrs. Weber stated there are existing signs from Compton Engineering already there.

Mrs. Serpas stated from a planning standpoint that the signs cannot block any visual within the 30 foot triangle and visibility needs to remain. Mrs. Serpas stated when she came in for the permit and the sign is small they can allow it and if not they would have her place it on a different side of the fence.

Ms. Vaughn asked for staff recommendation from Mrs. Hornsby. Mrs. Hornsby answered that the case is at the AHRC this morning is because the building is right next to two different landmark buildings and we wanted to make sure the signage didn't impede on those. The signage is at a reasonable size and aesthetically and would not go against the aesthetic of the landmark so staff recommends approval.

Randy Barras introduced a motion to approve Case No. 23-051 and was seconded by Carol Vaughn. The motion was carried unanimously as follows:

AYES: Carney, Hathaway, Barras, Christy, Vaughn
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
NOTES: None

Case No. 23-052
122 Morrison Avenue
New roof asphalt shingles
West Beach Historical District

Rachael L. Richardson

Mr. Barras asked the purpose of the approval. Mrs. Hornsby clarified the current roof is pressed metal shingles and the applicant is requesting asphalt shingles. The roof is from the early 1900s. Ms. Vaughn asked if companies still make metal shingles and Ms. Hornsby is not sure of the quality of current companies.

Mr. Carney had Mrs. Hornsby read a letter of concern from Mrs. Lela Gill Jordan, 1216 Beach Boulevard. Mrs. Jordan stated her concern about asbestos testing and process of removing asbestos if present when the roof is replaced whether by the owner or future owners. This is due to the elderly population of the street.

Mrs. Vaughn stated concern was valid. Mrs. Hornsby asked Mrs. Serpas for the planning guidelines for asbestos. Mrs. Serpas stated it is on the contractor and OSHA pushes the requirements. The building division will inspect and it may be possible for inspector to check. Mr. Corey asked if there were rules for this. Mr. Carney asked if these rules should be in place before brought before the AHRC. Mrs. Serpas answered this approval is required before permit is issues so the applicant is doing it in the correct order. Mr. Carney asked if the concern was if the roof materials fit within guidelines the historical district. Mrs. Serpas stated yes and the building department will worry about them following the OSHA rules. She stated it can be in the recommendation.

Ms. Vaughn recommended they should and she served the commission in Charleston after Hugo. It was a huge consideration and can fall between the cracks and be terrible result. She stated a clause needed to do that. Mrs. Serpas stated there are probably contractors that specialize in asbestos. Mrs. Vaughn asked if the building department inspected during tear off.

Mr. Carney suggested tabling the case and Mr. Jerry Creel called in to answer questions from the commission. Mrs. Serpas asked Mr. Creel about the demo process of roofing with possible asbestos. Mr. Creel stated that a single-family house is not regulated with the state. However, the contractor has to take it to a regulated landfill and kept wet to avoid dangerous fibrous materials. Residents can call DEQ in Jackson for investigation. The application for roof removal they are made aware to check with DEQ about asbestos during the application process. We are not the enforcing agency.

Mrs. Hornsby stated she would discuss this process with the neighbor that sent the letter of concern.

Mrs. Hornsby called, Ms. Rachael Richardson, to discuss case. Mrs. Hornsby mentioned asbestos letter first and then had Ms. Richardson present her case. Her plan is to have the 550 square foot flat roof that is currently the modified build up hot tar layered type roof at the back east side of the house is not visible anywhere from the street to have that replaced. At this point in time, the contractors who have looked at it will only warranty the roof if they have the whole job. While the roof did not actually need replacing it is the only way to get a warranty on the flat roof due to the transition point of the roofs without leaking.

Ms. Richardson stated the roof is metal shingles not asbestos. Mrs. Hornsby clarified that the underneath materials could contain asbestos. Mrs. Hornsby discussed the letter of concern that stated any testing for asbestos is done on the roof if the materials are removed. Mrs. Hornsby stated it needed discussed since it was submitted. Ms. Richardson stated that as far as she knows that nothing is under the roof and can be seen from holes in the attic.

Mrs. Serpas asked if the commission would be okay for the contractor looking to see if there would be asbestos there. Mr. Carney said the letter came before the commission and have to consider whatever construction is done out there it is looked at. Ms. Vaughn stated if it is needed. Mrs. Serpas stated to look at it falling on the contractor. Mr. Corey Christy asked if a note can be made that it needs to be considered.

Mrs. Carol Vaughn made a motion to approve the roof with the condition the contractor checks for asbestos and takes precautions when the roof is put on. Mrs. Serpas clarified the contractor checks for asbestos. Mrs. Hathaway who they show proof to. Mr. Barras asked if DEQ has a local office. Mrs. Serpas confirmed there is a local DEQ

office. Ms. Richardson was alerted to the approval and condition. She asked if the meeting was going to have minutes and Mrs. Hornsby stated there would be.

Carol Vaughn introduced a motion to approve Case No. 23-052 with the condition the contractor checks for asbestos and takes precautions needed and was seconded by Susan Hathaway. The motion was carried unanimously as follows:

AYES: Carney, Hathaway, Barras, Christy, Vaughn
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None
NOTES: None

NOTE: January 5, 2024 the applicant came in to discuss the AHRC decision. Mr. Jerry Creel and Mrs. Mandy Hornsby contacted Dennis Kelly with Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality with applicant Mrs. Rachael Richardson. Based on this phone interview, this particular project is a single-family house not under government order it is therefore exempt. Therefore, the AHRC cannot enforce asbestos testing. This will be discussed with the AHRC at their January 11, 2024 meeting.

VII. PENDING APPLICATIONS: None

VIII. MINOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

Case No. 23-044A
261 Iroquois Street
Expand back porch and screen in
West Central Historic District

Donald Sexton

IX. NEW BUSINESS: None

X. OLD BUSINESS: Surveys handed out for future AHRC workshop. Mrs. Hornsby asked to complete the surveys and she will email it to members not present. Mrs. Vaughn asked when we would have it. Mrs. Hornsby hopes for early Spring. Mr. Carney asked about Tuesday and Mrs. Serpas stated to remember City Council meetings.

XI. ISSUES OF CONCERN: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business Le'Roy Carney adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Approved by:


Chair


Secretary