

**HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION AND  
COMMON DESIGN REVIEW BOARD  
MEETING**

**February 26, 2024**

**3:30 P.M.**

**329 MAIN STREET**

**REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF:**

Brent Clemons  
Daniel Morris  
Jackey Jones  
Jeff Tyndall

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gail Longton  
Gary Shephard  
Kirk Zeaman  
Bert Singletary  
Doug Jones  
James Bagby  
Marcia Williams  
John Gannon  
David Smith

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mrs. Longton called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

Mrs. Longton stated there was a quorum present.

Mr. Gannon made the motion to approve minutes of the November 20, 2023 meeting seconded by Mr. Bagby. All others were in favor and minutes were approved.

**CASE NUMBER: DDR-2-2024**

Application of First Baptist Church

Reason for request: Demolition of a portion of the existing structure that faces Madison Street. The existing education wing and chapel will be removed. The facade of the existing original sanctuary will be enclosed where the demolished portion of the building will be

removed. Stone will be salvaged from the demolished portions and reused to provide veneer for the patched portion.

Location of request: 488 Commerce Street further identified as County Tax Map 066K Parcel 013.00

**DDR-2-2024 Staff Comments**

- If demolition is allowed, it would allow the portion built in 1917 to be more prominently featured and possibly make it eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.
- Ideally, instead of surface parking replacing the demolished portion, something would be built back in its place.

Mr. Clemons presented the case.

Public hearing was opened.

Marshall Duncan spoke in favor of the case.

Mark Briggs spoke in favor of the case.

Bryce Powers spoke in favor of the case.

No speakers in opposition.

Public hearing was closed.

Mr. Gannon made the motion for approval with the contingent that with the approval of demolition a historical sign be put up in that area to reflect what is being torn down as well as maybe the church. Smith seconded and all were in favor. Motion for approval passed.

**CASE NUMBER: DDR-3-2024**

Application of JCM Management

Reason for request: New building design for a distillery and small assembly (tasting and tour) venue.

Location of request: 119 College Street further identified as County Tax Map 066G Parcel 007.00

**DDR-3-2024 Staff Comments**

- New commercial building design shall reflect the period of its construction and shall not attempt a reproduction of a historic style.
- Site Plan approval by the Planning Commission
- Landscape Plan approval

Public comment period was opened.

Brad Martin spoke in favor of the case.

No speakers in opposition.

Public hearing was closed.

Mr. Jones made the motion for approval. Mr. Gannon seconded. All others were in favor and motion for approval passed.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mrs. Longton nominated John Gannon for Chair. Mrs. Williams seconded. All others were in favor. Nomination passed.

Mr. Gannon made the motion to nominate Gail Longton for Vice Chair. Mr. Jones seconded. All others were in favor. Nomination passed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No speakers.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:12 PM.

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Longton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath it.

