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## Historic District Commission

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### **Meeting Minutes November 21, 2019**

Members present: Danielle Stein, Rhonda Dempster, Murray Dennis and Skipper Holloway

Members absent: Marguerite Knight Erwin

Also Present: Roland Soignet, Jr. Zoning Administrator & Asst. Public Works Director, and Ruby Maggio, Secretary

Ms. Stein called the meeting to order.

Mr. Dempster moved to accept the minutes as presented for the October 10, 2019 meeting, the motion was seconded by Mr. Holloway. All board members present were in favor.

Ms. Stein noted the item on the agenda was to review a 1,739 sq. ft. addition to rear of office building for Porteois, Hainkel & Johnson law firm located at 211 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Ms. Stein noted at our last meeting the ones who were able to make it we kind of reviewed the plans, are there any questions or anything else that you want to go over? Ms. Dennis commented that it looks very attractive and she talked to a neighbor who was enthusiastic about it. Ms. Dempster stated at the last meeting they talked about the proposed siding, the fencing and had inquired about the windows. It was noted that the addition would mimic the existing building and the two board members present didn't see any issues with it. Mr. E.A. Angeloz stated we had some original photos of the building and they actually had a balcony going all the way around it that was over the sidewalk on the two sides that are on the corner on the original building which was removed. Ms. Dempster stated but that is not going to go back over the sidewalk. Mr. Angeloz replied no, they wouldn't let us do that anyway that would be prohibitive and an obstruction, they are going to do the little courtyard in the back and it is going to help tremendously to find the entrance to the building. Right now you've got to step up and it's really not accessible so they are going to be accessible to the handicapped and it is an improvement and they need the space, they are a growing company and they are hiring people and that is a good thing and they are staying in downtown Thibodaux so that is another good thing. Ms. Dennis replied evidently they have been very good about reaching out to the neighbors and keeping them aware of what is going on. Ms. Stein indicated she didn't have anything else. Mr. Holloway moved to accept the 1,730 sq. ft. addition to the office building at 211 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St. and the motion was seconded by Ms. Murray, all members present were in favor.

There being nothing further to discuss, meeting adjourned.