TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Black Mountain Historic Preservation Commission held its regular meeting on Wednesday, January `5, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in Town Hall at 160 Midland Avenue, Black Mountain, North Carolina.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at p.m. with the following members present:

Chris Zajac, Chair
Lardner Moore, Vice Chair
Debra Norman
Melinda Hester

Absent:

Leigh Vidrine

Staff:

Jennifer Tipton, Senior Admin
Russell Cate, Planner I/Zoning Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and duly constituted and opened for business with a quorum of four (4) regular members.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chris Zajac made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was approved by consensus.

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Chris Zajac made a motion to adopt the minutes of December 18, 2024, as written. The motion was approved by consensus.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>HPC Standards and Principles Draft</u>

Lardner Moore said that he had an opportunity to go through about half of the standards and so far had not found anything egregious. It was discussed about encouraging engraved wood/painted/or textured signs as options in addition to metal signs. It was also discussed that instead of an overall color palette that maybe there be a color palette for facades and roof lines, particularly at the pedestrian level. The colors can be broad but the commission doesn't want to limit creativity or detract from the overall character. The commission also discussed loosening up the requirements for window types and replacements to allow for more resilient materials. The commission also talked about taking a picture of every building in the district and creating a catalog and each year a picture can be taken to preserve the history and allow for guidance if needed during a project.

VI. COMMUNICATION FROM HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

None.

VII. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Prepared by:

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Chris Zajac, Chair

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Jennifer Tipton, Senior Admin