AGENDA
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
September 27, 2004 – 3:00 P.M.
Mayor’s Pre-Council Chamber – Mobile Government Plaza
205 Government Street

A. CALL TO ORDER – Chair
   1. Roll Call
   2. Approval of Minutes
   3. Approval of Mid-Month Requests Approved by Staff

B. MID MONTH APPROVALS

1. Applicant's Name: Summer’s Roofing and Construction Co., Inc.
   Property Address: 359 Chatham Street
   Date of Approval: 8/10/04
   Work Approved: Re-roof building with 25 year 3-tab fiberglass shingles, shadow gray in color.

2. Applicant's Name: Fred South
   Property Address: 1318 Chamberlain Avenue
   Date of Approval: 8/11/04
   Work Approved: Repair or replace rotten wood with materials matching existing in material, profile and dimension. Paint new materials to match existing.

3. Applicant's Name: Kiker Corporation
   Property Address: 1111 Government Street
   Date of Approval: 8/11/04
   Work Approved: Re-roof flat roof with materials to match existing.

4. Applicant's Name: Kiker Corporation
   Property Address: 209 North Washington Street
   Date of Approval: 8/11/04
   Work Approved: Re-roof flat roof with materials to match existing.

5. Applicant's Name: John Moore
   Property Address: 310 Charles Street
   Date of Approval: 8/12/04
   Work Approved: Repaint house in American Tradition color scheme:
   Body: Molear Vaquero Red
   Trim: white
   Replace existing columns with new box columns in stock design provided by MHDC staff – new columns to total 4, as original design.
6. Applicant's Name: Sand Dollar Properties  
Property Address: 110 South Dearborn Street  
Date of Approval: 8/13/04 asc  
Work Approved: Replace roof decking as necessary; install new charcoal shingles to match existing.

7. Applicant's Name: Bill Zasiris  
Property Address: 20 South Reed Street  
Date of Approval: 8/16/04 weh  
Work Approved: Re-roof house with 3 tab fiberglass shingles, charcoal in color.

8. Applicant's Name: Charles Alfred Cowley Jr.  
Property Address: 955 Palmetto Street  
Date of Approval: 8/16/04 asc  
Work Approved: Replace rotten wood as necessary to match existing in material and profile and dimension. Repaint house in existing color scheme.

9. Applicant's Name: Donald’s Roofing  
Property Address: 110 S. Bayou Street  
Date of Approval: 8/16/04 asc  
Work Approved: Re-roof building with materials matching existing.

10. Applicant's Name: Hero’s Sports Bar  
Property Address: 273 Dauphin Street  
Date of Approval: 8/16/04 weh  
Work Approved: Stain deck the following colors:  
   - Deck/skirtboard – Linen  
   - Railings – Oak Brown  
   - Pergola – Terra  
   - Canopy Framing – Dark Brown

11. Applicant's Name: Cooner Roofing Inc.  
Property Address: 1457 Brown Street  
Date of Approval: 8/18/04 weh  
Work Approved: Re-roof house with 3 tab fiberglass shingles, charcoal black in color.

12. Applicant's Name: Contractors of Today/Gary Soutullo  
Property Address: 206 Roper Street  
Date of Approval: 8/18/04 weh  
Work Approved: Remove existing concrete steps and replace with new wood steps with handrails matching existing porch rail. Paint to match existing.
13. Applicant's Name: Bernhardt Roofing Company  
Property Address: 258 Dexter Street  
Date of Approval: 8/25/04 asc  
Work Approved: Re-roof with 3-tab fiberglass shingles, black in color.

14. Applicant’s Name: Conrad Construction  
Property Address: 253 St. Anthony Street  
Date of Approval: 8/25/04 asc  
Work Approved: Replace glass as necessary; repair/replace wood siding as necessary with new wood siding to match existing in profile and dimension; prime and paint new materials.

15. Applicant's Name: Larry and Cathy Burdette  
Property Address: 1561 Luling Street  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04 weh  
Work Approved: Repaint house in the following colors:  
    - Body – Lettuce Alone B68-3  
    - Trim – Bistro White 7006-4

16. Applicant's Name: Mark and Denise Burks  
Property Address: 1559 Dauphin Street  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04 weh  
Work Approved: Construct 3 car garage as per submitted plans. Design is modified MHDC stock plan utilizing building elements found on main residence. Building to measure 38’ x 24’ and is to be located at the rear of the property behind existing guest house. Siding to be hardiplank painted to match main house, hipped roof with timberline shingles matching that of the main residence.

17. Applicant's Name: Leland Moore Jr.  
Property Address: 12 North Reed Avenue  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04 weh  
Work Approved: Repaint house in existing color scheme. Repair existing flat roof – install 5-v crimp galvalume roofing over flat roof surface and flash into existing asbestos tile as necessary. Repair rotten soffit & fascia with materials matching in profile & dimension.

18. Applicant's Name: DNC of Mobile  
Property Address: 113 South Dearborn Street  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04 asc  
Work Approved: Replace rotten wood as necessary with new materials matching existing in material, profile and dimension. Prime new materials. Paint colors to be submitted at a later date.
19. Applicant's Name: Barbara and Fred South  
Property Address: 1112 Dauphin Street  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04  
Work Approved: Replace rotten wood with materials to match existing in material, profile and dimension. Repaint house in the following Sherwin Williams color scheme:  
Body: SW6325  
Trim: Cream  
Base: SW 6328  
Cedar Shakes: SW6326

20. Applicant's Name: Goldengate Properties/E. Bradford Ladd  
Property Address: 2301 DeLeon Ave.  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04  
Work Approved: Minor wood repair with new wood to match existing in dimension and profile. Paint in the following Benjamin Moore colors: body-Rockport Gray; trim-Titanium, window sashes - white.

21. Applicant's Name: Thomas Roofing/Robert Ramsey  
Property Address: 311 West Street  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04  
Work Approved: Install new charcoal 3 tab shingle roof on pitched roof and modified flat roof system on flat roof sections.

22. Applicant's Name: O. C. Wiggins  
Property Address: 1005 Augusta Street  
Date of Approval: 8/26/04  
Work Approved: Replace rotten wood as necessary to match existing in material, profile and dimension. Re-roof house in timberline shingles heather in color to match existing.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. **020-03/04-CA**  
   Applicant: Devereaux Bemis  
   Nature of Project: Retain prototype fence type constructed at the Board’s request.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **090/03/04/CA**  
   Applicant: Ryan Freisen  
   Nature of Project: Install 6’ privacy fence around perimeter of property as per submitted plans.
2. **091-03/04-CA**  
   Applicant: The McMillan Family Trust of 2002  
   Nature of Project: Retain 43’ cell tower installed without proper federal permits, without zoning clearance, without a building permit, and without ARB approval.

3. **092-03/04-CA**  
   Applicant: Centre for the Living Arts/ Holmes & Holmes, Architects  
   Nature of Project: Rehabilitate existing and abandoned former Mobile Press Register offices into space for Mobile County Probate Court functions.

4. **093-03/04-CA**  
   Applicant: Mike Clark  
   Nature of Project: Remove existing inoperable and damaged steel casement windows and replace with vinyl clad double hung one-over-one sash as per submitted information.

E. OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Discussion with the Board by Steve Walker
2. Federal Courthouse Review by Staff

F. ADJOURN
INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: DeTonti Square Historic District
Classification: Contributing
Zoning: R-B, Residential Business
Additional Permits Required: (1) Building
Nature of Project: Construct 8’ high wood and Hardiplank fence as per submitted design. Stain fence dark brown.

Fence to be constructed of 4’ x 8’ panels of Hardiplank mounted between 6”x 6” treated wood posts. Panels to have ½” x 4” applied batten strips spaced evenly between the panel. Fence to be stained.

History of the Project:

At the November 10, 2003 meeting, the Board had questions concerning the use of Hardiplank for fencing in the historic district. It also had questions concerning the structural integrity of the fence as designed. The Board noted it would be willing to review a full scale mock up of the fence.

The fence has been erected as presented, and Board Members are encouraged to visit the site and examine the fence.

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STAFF REPORT

General

A. The Guidelines state that “The standards listed and shown...illustrate elements that contribute to the architectural character of the buildings in Mobile’s historic districts. These define the architectural style of the buildings and establish a repetition of forms and details, which create harmony and character of the historic districts.

1. The existing structure is solid masonry.
2. The building materials are compatible for use in the district.
3. The building materials have been approved for use in the district.
4. The Board encourages the use of new materials when appropriate.

Staff has no recommendation for this application.
INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: Old Dauphin Way Historic District
Classification: Contributing
Zoning: R-1, Single family residential
Additional Permits Required: (1) Fence
Nature of Project: Install 6’ high wood privacy fence as per submitted plans.

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STAFF REPORT

A. The Guidelines state that Fences “should compliment the building and not detract from it. Design, scale, placement, and materials should be considered along with their relationship to the Historic District.”
   1. The main structure is a one story frame structure.
   2. The residence is located on the northwest corner of North Reed Avenue and New Hamilton Streets.
   3. Typically, the Design Guidelines limit fences to 6’ in height.
   4. Typical side yard setbacks for fences is 12’ for standard (60’ or wider) corner lots.
   5. The subject lot is 50’ in width at the front, so due to the substandard lot size, a setback of 9.8’ is allowed.
   6. The applicant is requesting to construct the fence on the sidewalk.
   7. A common alley separates the houses facing North Reed Avenue from North Monterey Street.
   8. The house that faces North Monterey Street directly behind the subject property has a wood privacy fence with brick columns located directly on the sidewalk.
   9. As this is a corner property, the applicant will have to apply for a zoning variance to allow the fence to be closer to the sidewalk.

Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - STAFF COMMENTS

091-03/04 – CA
203 Church Street
Applicant: The McMillan Trust of 2002, David D. Wilkins, representative
Received: 8/31/04
Meeting Date(s):
Submission Date + 45 Days: 10/12/04 1) 9/13/04 2) 3)

INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: Church Street East Historic District
Classification: Contributing
Zoning: B-4, General Business
Additional Permits Required: (1) Fence
Nature of Project: Retain 43’ cell tower installed without proper federal permits, without zoning clearance, without a building permit, and without ARB approval.

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STAFF REPORT

The current Design Review Guidelines do not directly address structures such as cell towers, satellite dishes, antennas, etc. However, Section 9 under Standard of Review addresses the appropriateness and the impact of elements within the context of historic districts. A list of facts is enumerated for the Board’s consideration of this request.

1. The tower is located in the Central Parking lot due south of Government Plaza, between Church Street and Interstate 10.
2. The parking lot is directly adjacent to the historic Chandler House, and is within the viewshed of the Christ Episcopal Church, The Museum of Mobile and the Fort Conde Welcome Center.
3. The tower is 43’ tall, and tapers from 20” in diameter at the base to 15” at the top.
4. The plan notes that the tower is to match existing light poles. However, the one existing light pole is approximately 25’ high, and much smaller in diameter.
5. The plan notes that the tower will provide additional illumination for the parking lot, at an elevation of approximately 20’ above grade. However, the light is placed on the tower at a height approximately 30’ above grade and is pointed directly down at the existing building.
6. Plans call for the placement of a radio base station at the base of the tower and an antenna at the apex.
7. Typically, towers of this nature have up to 2 co-locations for cell phone use, requiring additional buildings to house equipment. The plans provided show no additional buildings.

8. The Applicant has agreed to paint the pole black or dark green or any other color as directed by the Board.

9. The Applicants will be required to submit information to the Alabama Historical Commission for Section 106 Review to mitigate any negative impact on the Church Street East Historic District.

Staff was unable to reach a consensus on whether or not the tower impaired the historic integrity of the Church Street East Historic District. Staff suggests the Board visit the site and determine an appropriate decision.
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - STAFF COMMENTS

092-03/04 – CA  304 Government Street
Applicant: Centre for the Living Arts/ Holmes & Holmes, Architects
Received: 9/21/04
Submission Date + 45 Days: 11/3/04
Meeting Date(s): 1) 9/27/04  2) 3)

INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: Church Street East Historic District
Classification: Contributing
Zoning: B-4, General Business
Additional Permits Required: (1) Building
Nature of Project: Rehabilitate existing and abandoned former Mobile Press Register offices into space for Mobile County Probate Court functions.

Alterations to the exterior include:
- South Elevation – removal of infilled bay at extreme east side of building to install emergency fire doors as per submitted plans.
- West Elevation – removal of existing metal door and replacement with new fire-rated door in new fire stair.
- - infill of existing garage bay with new anodized aluminum storefront as per submitted plans.

Building History: The building was designed by C. L. Hutchisson Sr. and constructed in 1921 (MHDC File date) for the Adams Motor Company. The Mobile Press Register acquired the property in 1941, and replaced storefront windows with glass block infill.

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STAFF REPORT

A. The Guidelines state that “The appropriateness of additions shall be measured by the guidelines applicable to new construction. The addition should compliment the design and scale of the main building.”
   1. The main structure is a three story masonry commercial building, with parapet and concealed roof.
   2. The existing fenestration is brick bays with glass block and panel infill.
   3. This glass block and panel infill was a later alteration to the original building.
   4. The proposed infill for the south elevation calls for the removal of panel & glass block infill in the extreme east bay and the installation of a single exit door (controlled access) with obscure laminated impact-resistant glass, and insulated panel side light.
5. The proposed infill for the west elevation occurs at the location of a truck bay towards the north end of the original building.

6. The proposed infill for the west elevation consists of a pair of recessed anodized aluminum doors with laminated impact-resistant glass, and anodized aluminum storefront with laminated impact-resistant glass.

7. At the extreme north edge of the bay is proposed a single fixed window, anodized aluminum with laminated impact-resistant glass.

8. An existing flush metal exit door at the extreme northern end of the west elevation is to be changed to a fire rated exit door (controlled access).

Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - STAFF COMMENTS

093-03/04 – CA
114 North Lafayette
Applicant: Mike Clark
Received: 9/23/04
Submission Date + 45 Days: 11/5/04
Meeting Date (s): 1) 9/27/04 2) 3)

INTRODUCTION TO THE APPLICATION

Historic District: Old Dauphin Way Historic District
Classification: Non-Contributing
Zoning: R-1, Single Family Residential
Additional Permits Required: (1) Building
Nature of Project: Remove existing inoperable and damaged steel casement windows and replace with vinyl clad double hung one-over-one sash as per submitted information.

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STAFF REPORT

A. The Guidelines state that “The appropriateness of additions shall be measured by the guidelines applicable to new construction. The addition should compliment the design and scale of the main building.”

1. The main structure is a one story brick veneer ranch house, slab on grade, with a monolithic hipped roof.
2. The existing windows are the original single glazed, single pane steel casement.
3. The existing window glass suffered damage from pressure build-up during Hurricane Ivan.
4. The existing windows are rusted and inoperable.
5. The proposed new windows are vinyl clad wood, one-over-one double hung.

Staff recommends approval of the application as submitted.