



El Presidio Historic Zone Advisory Board
Thursday, April 24, 2025, at 6:30 PM
Virtual Meeting

Meeting Minutes/Legal Action Report

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM.

Members present: Susan Aiken, Ilya Sloan, Anita Rankin, Juhee Evans, Halley Freitas, Alex Oberlick, Siri Beidler Trumble, Christopher Domin, and Chris Evan A quorum was established.

Member(s) Absent/Excused: None

Guests present: Axel Golden and Cole Haralson.

Staff present: Michael Taku and Desiree Aranda (PDSD)

2. Review and Approval of February 26, 2025, Legal Action Report Minutes

A motion was made by Sloan and seconded by Rankin to approve the Legal Action Report /Minutes from the meeting of February 26, 2025, as submitted. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote of 8-0.

Staff Taku, on behalf of PSD, introduced the new City Historic Preservation Officer (HPO), Desiree Aranda, to the position and noted that the commission and PRS look forward to working with her. On her part, the new HPO provided a summary of her professional background and promised to work in partnership with the board.

3. Call to the Audience

None.

[Note: Juhee Evan, recused as property owners at 6:43 P.M.]

4. Reviews

a. SD-0225-00030/TC-RES-0624-03625, 425 N Court Avenue

Construction of a new 262 SF detached home-office and storage building with a territorial Sonoran style similar to forms across the street. The new building footprint is in place of the existing on-site parking space.

Courtesy Review/ RNA/El Presidio Historic Preservation Zone
Contributing Resource/ Rehabilitation Standards

Staff Taku provided a summary of the review and noted that the board has reviewed this project as a courtesy on February 26, 2025. The board provided feed and was generally in support of the proposal as presented. This review being a full review will require action from the board.

The project was presented by Architect Axel Golden, on behalf of property owners Juhee Evans and Chris Evan. The presenter noted that the project proposes to construct a detached building with cubic massing and stepped parapets derived from neighboring contributing forms, across the street. The proposed building and others existing like it have one wood door and one window facing the street with a stepped parapet. The door opens to a courtyard ancillary space that serves as a pleasant entry that is characteristic of the neighborhood, and history of Tucson. Discussion of existing conditions, streetscape, development zone, door and window precedent, courtyard entry, storage space, and design standards. There was an illustration of the proposal with renderings

The board members had a brief discussion. Action was taken.

A motion was made by Domin to recommend approval of the project as presented with the following conditions: 1) add door and windows materials on the plans; 2) location of drainage on the plans; and 3) waiver of zero setbacks to the west and south lot lines respectively.

The motion was seconded by Trumble Beidler.

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote by 8-0.

5. Staff Updates—Information Only

Staff will contact Co-Chairs for any reviews that come up.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.