

Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia  
Mayor and Commission  
Special Called Session  
Tuesday, January 7, 2020  
5:07 p.m.  
City Hall

The Mayor and Commission of the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, Georgia met this date in a special called session. Present: Mayor Girtz; Commissioners Davenport, Parker, Link, Wright, Denson, NeSmith, Edwards, Herod, and Hamby. Absent: Commissioner Thornton. Commissioner Denson came in at 5:10 p.m. Commissioner Parker came in at 5:26 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider an appeal of a Historic Preservation Commission decision regarding Certificate of Appropriateness 2019-09-3117 398 South Milledge Avenue

Attorney Drake gave an overview of the appeal process.

Proponent input

1. John McArthur, representing petitioner
2. Scott Reed

Opponent input

1. Loretta Bork Newcomer, representing owner

Rebuttal

1. John McArthur

A motion was made by Commissioner Link to find that the Historic Preservation Commission did abuse its discretion in reaching its decision regarding the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 398 South Milledge Avenue, and reject the determination made by the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wright, seconded by Commissioner Hamby, to find that the Historic Preservation Commission did not abuse its discretion in reaching its decision regarding the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the property located at 398 South Milledge Avenue, and uphold the determination made by the Historic Preservation Commission.

The motion passed by roll call vote with Commissioners Davenport, Wright, Denson, NeSmith, Edwards, Herod, and Hamby voting YES and Commissioners Parker and Link voting NO. (7 YES: 2 NO)

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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Clerk of Commission