



done throughout Downtown Thomaston over the last few years. Mr. Brown motioned to approve the door replacement, which was seconded by Mrs. Uphold and carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was discussion of the window signage at Releaf. Window Lettering was added to the exterior of the windows without having an approved COA. Commission members wanted to discuss this as it was brought to their attention. Dakota Terrell, Releaf owner, was on hand to discuss the window lettering and what would be deemed appropriate. Commission members commended Mr. Terrell on the success of his business. The term "Less is More" was thrown around, and commission members invited Mr. Terrell to use other businesses such as Hometown Printers/Rescue Me Market for appropriate window lettering. Chairwoman Burdette expressed a desire to keep "Education" as part of the window lettering. Mr. Terrell was instructed to cleanup the lettering, relocate the phone #, and provide a potential conceptual to HPC during the December meeting for review.

The next item on the agenda was continued discussion of the Thomaston Train Depot Signage. Mr. Dodhia's Variance request will be heard at the November 11th Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting. Since the previous discussion, Mr. Dodhia had the property surveyed and determined that the former Ponderosa Road Sign is located on the property. Commission Members were asked to update the previous recommendation, with this new information. Following discussion, commission members ultimately agreed that IF the Ponderosa Road Sign was utilized, then the "Thomaston Train Depot" foundation sign should be removed. If both were utilized then there would be layering of signage, as the signs are on top of one another. Commission Member Uphold motioned to update the recommendation with the new verbiage, which was seconded by Mr. Brown and carried unanimously.

The final item on the agenda was continued discussion of the HPC Membership Nomination and Application Process. Per instruction during the October HPC Meeting, Mr. Smith updated the HPC Application and listed Membership Requirements according to O.C.G.A. 44-10-2. Mr. Smith informed the board that if approved, he would ask previous applicants to update their applications for the commission to review during the December meeting. Commission members applauded Mr. Smith for his work on improving this process. Commission Member Uphold motioned to approve the application process as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Haney and carried unanimously.

In other business, Mr. Smith shared a preliminary 2023 HPC Meeting Calendar with the board. Mr. Smith said that these dates would be finalized once the city's calendar was finalized by HR. Mr. Smith asked commission members to determine what time would be best for their meetings or if we would stick with 2pm. Finally, commission members were informed that the city has acquired the property at 209 S. Church St., with intentions of demolishing the building. Ultimately, this property will be used for additional parking in the DDA Parking Lot and Thomaston Courtyard project.

Mr. Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mrs. Uphold All commission members stood to show approval, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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