

Armory Park Historic Zone Advisory Board LEGAL ACTION REPORT Tuesday, November 18, 2025 Virtual Meeting

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Board Members in attendance (all virtual): Stephen Grede (Chair), Stan Schuman (Vice Chair) Maurice Roberts, Helen Erickson, Matt Smith, and Lynda Southerland.

Board Members Absent/Excused: None

Staff in attendance (all virtual): Michael Taku and Desiree Aranda (Planning and Development Services Department [PDSD]).

Guests in attendance (all virtual): Etoile Wichnevetzki (422S Arizona Avenue), Lori Van Buggenum (126 E 14th Street), Marty Benites, Marty Esparza (property owner, 330 E 13th Street), Lori Van Buggenum, John Burr, Marty Dupont (Architect, 330 E 13th Street), Angela Gee, Melissa Sprott, Amanda Tronsdale, Patricia (no last name provided), Jan Mulder, Megan Noli, Alan Koslow, Martha McClements, Shipherd Reed, Frances (no last name provided), Aaron Knepper, Luis Esparza, MBB, Marco Scandroglio, Jennifer Levstik (consultant, 410 S 6th Avenue), Ryan Anderson (125 E 15th St), Michelle Morden and Benjamin M Johnson.

2. Review and approval of Legal Action Report (LAR) and Meeting Minutes for 10/21/2025

Motion: Ms. Erickson moved to approve the LAR/Minutes for 10/21/2025 with the following amendments: The motion on Item #4a [SD-0125-00004, 306 S 3rd Avenue] to read as (1) The metal elements, standing seam roof, the fence, and new corrugated fence panel to be either a non-shiny, non-reflective, or painted finish and (2) All exterior doors to be replaced as needed but are to match existing, with the exception and preference of the south door to be a single lite over two (2) or three (3) panels.

Mr. Roberts seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote (6-0).

3. Call to the Audience

Comments were received from John Burr and the Tucson Preservation Foundation. These comments were provided to the board and summarized by staff Aranda. The board requested that the summitted comments be made part of the project record.

The board offered the opportunity for members of the public to provide comments on the All-Saints project. Here is a summary of the comments.

- Ryan Anderson, neighbor Expressed that he and his wife live in Armory Park
 and while they appreciate infill, it's important to retain the character of Armory
 Park. Encourages compliance with design standards including proper massing and
 aesthetics.
- Lori Van Buggenum, neighbor The All Saints property is an opportunity for an
 infill housing and or mixed-use project that is informed by and integrates with the
 historic elements and nature of Armory Park. Concerned about the manner and
 expedited timeline that the project was brought forward for review. Surprised to
 see the height, scale, massing, and setbacks; thinks that previous comments had
 been disregarded.
- Etoile Wichnevetzki Lives in Armory Park and owns multiple properties on Arizona Avenue. Pro infill development and has seen a few iterations of this project. The Motel 6-style 3-story box with street-level parking doesn't take into consideration any of the comments we've already made in relation to this project. Brought up concerns about trash collection, parking, and monitoring surrounding historic buildings during construction.

4. Reviews

a. SD-1025-00158/TC-RES-0725-03553 330 E. 13th St. (Parcel # 11706270A)

Action

The project is to add a new rear patio cover to the existing patio cover/ramada. *Full Review*

Contributing Resource/Rehabilitation Standards

Staff Contact: Michael Taku, Historic Preservation Lead Planner

Staff Taku introduced the architect for the project, Marty Dupont, who presented the project. Questions were asked and points clarified.

Motion: Mr. Roberts moved to recommend approval of the project as presented.

Mr. Schuman seconded the motion.

No discussion.

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote (Southerland absent due to technical issues).

b. TC-COM-1125-02090*

Courtesy

410, 415, and 435 S. 6th Ave. and 375 S. Stone Ave. Parcel #s: 117-14-087B, 117-14-087C, 117-14-087D (375 S Stone Ave); 117-07-3420, 117-07-3410, 117-07-3400, 117-07-3390, 117-07-3430, 117-07-3440, and 117-07-3450 (415 and 435 South 6th Avenue); and 117-14-090A (410 South 6th Avenue)

All Saints Apartments, LLLP, an affiliated entity of MC Companies, proposes to construct and redevelop several buildings and parcels within the Armory Park Historic District. All Saints Apartments will be a 164-unit new construction and adaptive reuse project consisting of new construction, rehabilitation of existing contributing properties, and demolition or partial demolition of existing contributing and non-contributing properties. The proposed project site is a combination of 11 individual parcels on a 1.99 acre scattered site that includes four existing buildings at 410, 415, and 435 S. 6th Avenue and 375 S. Stone Avenue. Each of these buildings has been previously listed as contributing or non-contributing resources to the Armory Park Historic District and are located wholly or partially within the City of Tucson Armory Park Historic Preservation Zone (HPZ). Because this project will be receiving support through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), it is considered a federal undertaking, subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended, 54 USC 306108, and its implementing regulations at 36 CFR 800.

Full Review

Contributing and Non-contributing Resources/Rehabilitation Standards Staff Contact: Desiree Aranda, Historic Preservation Officer

Mr. Roberts recused himself at 7:05 p.m. due to a potential conflict of interest involving a few properties directly adjacent to this project.

Staff Aranda introduced the presenter, preservation consultant Jen Levstik (Westland Resources), to represent the applicant. Ms. Levstik presented the project, providing updates on changes made since the last Courtesy review. The applicant sought input on the project as part of the Section 106 continuing consultation. The project architect, Angela Gee, provided additional information about design decisions, materials, landscaping, noise mitigation, and parking. Questions were asked, points clarified, and discussion held. Members of the APHZAB offered numerous comments on the project.

Staff Aranda provided an overview of the UDC approvals that will be required for the project. The reviews for those approvals will occur at a later date.

Mr. Roberts rejoined the meeting at 8:27pm.

5. Minor Reviews

Staff and Vice Chair Schuman reported on recent minor reviews including 207 E 16th Street for windows and HVAC and 460 S 5th Avenue for front yard fencing.

6. Call to the Board

- Mr. Burr reported that three candidates: Jan Mulder; Martha McClements and John Burr were appointed to join the board in 2026.
- Ms. Erickson reported that John Burr, Steve Grede, and Martha McClune were awarded the distinctive J Blackford Award.
- Mr. Schuman thanked Mr. Burr for his letter to the city on the All-Saints project.

• Mr. Roberts reported that he was reappointed as Commissioner for Rec & Parks

7. Staff Updates and Future Agenda Items - Information Only

- **a.** Plan Tucson was approved by voters
- **b.** Design Guidelines to be continued to future discussion
- c. Future agenda item: 726 S Bean Avenue-New Duplex

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.