



# City of Helen

## Planning, Design and Review Board

P. O. Box 280

Helen, GA 30545



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## Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Planning and Design Review Board Agenda

PDRB Secretary:

*Jonah Casper*

PDRB Chairman:

*Anda McAllister*

Board Members:

*David Greear*

*Randy Summers*

*Ralph Hofer*

*Bruce Pomeroy*

*Chris Williams*

*Dona K. Burke*

### 1. Call meeting to order

### 2. Approval of Agenda

### 3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

### 4. Sign Submittals

- a. Kimberly Reese is requesting approval for a sign for a new business called "Skinny Kat Studio" located on the ground level of the new apartments on Narr Weg.

### 5. Special Events

- a. Alpine Helen Volksmarch Club is requesting approval for the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Volkswanderung 10k & 5k walk/hike on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- b. Helen Chamber of Commerce is requesting approval for the Helen Christmas Market for Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 6-7, 2025 (Market Platz & Unicoi Hill).

### 6. Plan Submittals

- a. Jones Architects LLC is submitting plans for a Springfield Suites by Marriott to be constructed next to what is currently the Helen Waterpark. They plan on operating the hotel in conjunction with the waterpark. They will be presenting a site plan as well as 3D renderings of the structure and surrounding area.



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### Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Planning and Design Review Board Minutes (pg 1)

The PDRB met on Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at Helen City Hall with chairman Linda McAllister calling the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Board members present were Ralph Hofer, Randy Summers, David Greear, and Chris Williams.

An amendment of the agenda to add a mural under 4.b. was motioned by Ralph Hofer with a second from David Greear. The motion was approved by all members present.

Approval of the minutes recorded from the previous meeting was motioned from David Greear and second by Randy Summers. This motion was approved by all members present.

### Signs

- a. Kimberly Reese requested approval for a new sign for the business "Skinny Kat Studio". A motion to approve the sign was made by Ralph Hofer and second by David Greear. All members present were in favor.
- b. Jubilee Signs brought by a sketch for a mural to be added on the backside of the new bathrooms that were recently constructed on Main Street next to Two Tire Tavern. The mural was seen more as a sign due to the amount of wording included. The board eventually decided to deny the mural with a motion from Ralph Hofer which was second by Chris Williams. This motion was approved by all members present. The commission will have the opportunity to grant a variance for the mural if they so choose.



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### Plans

- a. Jones Architects LLC brought new site plans and renderings for the possibility of bringing a new hotel next to Helen Waterpark. The hotel would operate alongside the park and also be open to the public. A motion to approve the plan and renderings came from Chris Williams and was second by Randy Summers. This motion was approved by all members present.

### Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 9:23 by Chris Williams and was second by Randy Summers, this motion was approved by all members present.

APPROVED BY:

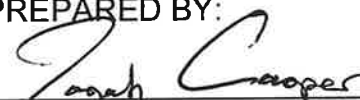
  
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CHAIRPERSON:

Linda McAllister

2-11-25  
DATE

PREPARED BY:

  
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BUILDING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Jonah Casper

2-11-25  
DATE