

**SUMMARY OF HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
CONCEPT PLAN REVIEW COMMENTS**

- Subject:** Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (former Theta Chi Sorority House)–
Concept Plan Review
- Meeting Date:** May 13, 2004
- Recommendation:** That the comments of the Commission be forwarded to the
applicant and the Town Council
- Vote:** Unanimous to forward comments by members present: Chris
Belcher (Chair), Benjamin Brody, Steve Doyle, Gaston Eubanks,
Branson Hobbs, Rex McCall, Margaret Rich, Jim Spencer, Terri
Swanson

The Commission voted to that the continued pattern of use of the parking lot as a lease parking lot at the House of Formation was OK.

GENERAL COMMENTS

All Commission members approved the concept plan overall with a vote of 8 – 0.
Additional Commissioner's comments were:

1. There is concern with the crossing of Rosemary Street by church members between the two church buildings. Suggestions included a raised crosswalk or other vehicular attention-getting devise.
2. The church has good street presence on Rosemary Street.
3. This is a good project to have downtown and the applicant has done good leg-work on the project including the adjacent neighbors.
4. The Commission members approved the height of the lantern and steeple. Believes that the scale is in keeping with the building and is not on top of the street but set back further on the sanctuary building. The steeple is a strong element.
5. The church and steeple add to the fabric of downtown - several steeples on the Town skyline.
6. The Commission approved the adjustment to the setbacks in order to allow for wide as possible sanctuary building, noting that the lot is very narrow.

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