HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION

PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS SEPTEMBER 22, 2014 NRD-2014-0101

516 E. 6th Street Sixth Street

PROPOSAL

Construct a deck in an empty parking lot.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The site is currently a paved parking lot that has been used in the past as an open-air venue and art mart. Historically, it was a parking area for a used car lot and auto loan business.

The applicant proposes the construction of a gated open-air space at the street level with a deck above. The floor deck will be just under 13 feet above the open-air space at the ground level. It will have metal guardrails; a bar on the deck will be set back approximately 24 feet from the front of the deck. The actual deck itself will be set back approximately 5 feet from the gates at the street.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

There are no specific guidelines in the Architectural Design Guidelines for Sixth Street that apply to this situation. The Sixth Street Design Guidelines provide:

Storefronts should continue to define the sidewalk edge.

Set rooftop activities back such that they are not visible from the sidewalk below

Minimize the visual impact of rooftop uses as seen from the street.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve as proposed. This site has been a parking lot and open space for many years. The gates on the street will better define the building line along the sidewalk in this block, the proposed deck is set back from the sidewalk, and the bar on the deck is set back over 20 feet from the sidewalk.



Current condition