

St. Botolph Area Architectural Conservation District Commission

Public Hearing Minutes

Boston City Hall, Room 709

Boston, MA, 02201

February 20, 2018

Commissioners Present: Francoise Elise, Richard Henderson, Susan Trowbridge, Barbara Wennerholm

Commissioners Not Present: None

Staff Present: Eric Hill, Preservation Planner

4:03 PM S. Trowbridge called the public hearing to order.

DESIGN REVIEW

144-150 Saint Botolph Street (18.844 SB): Replace three non-original glass and metal entry doors and replace with 8-lite mahogany doors with single sidelite.

Representative: Larry Boyd, JLB Builders.

The applicant presented photographs of the existing conditions, the proposed door specifications and drawings. The applicant noted that the existing doors at all three openings are clearly not original to the structure and are of a modern design. Staff mentioned that there are no photos or plans on record detailing what the building used to look like and that staff recommends the applicant takes a similar style property as inspiration for the proposed door; also that the proposed multi lite doors were not appropriate. After this, the applicant noted that the manufacturer was already contracted and completed the doors.

The Commission agreed with staff on the appearance of the multi lite doors and how there was no precedence for them in the district.

The Commission noted that the wood doors are appropriate but the details could be left to staff to sign off on.

In conclusion the application was approved with the following proviso. R. Henderson initiated the motion and F. Elise seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 (FE, RH, ST, BW).

- **That updated drawings showing the mullions removed on the doors and sidelites are to be submitted to staff; and**
- **That the double door transom is a single lite with no divisions.**

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

18.831 SB 138 St. Botolph Street: Replace eight non-original aluminum 1/1 windows with clad-wood 1/1 windows on front elevation; install half screens.

- **In conclusion the applications were approved as submitted. F. Elise initiated the motion and R. Henderson seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 (FE, RH, ST, BW).**

Review/Ratification of the 1/16/2018 Public Hearing Minutes

- **In conclusion, B. Wennerholm initiated the motion to approve the minutes and R. Henderson seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 (FE, RH, ST, BW).**

DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON CHANGING FUTURE HEARING TIMES

The Commission was agreeable to having the monthly SBACDC hearings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month besides November 20th for the Thanksgiving holiday. The Commission also decided that a 5:00PM hearing time is better for both Commissioners and applicants.

- **In conclusion, the commission approved the change in hearing dates and times. B. Wennerholm initiated the motion and F. Elise seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0 (FE, RH, ST, BW).**

4:37 PM S. Trowbridge adjourned the public hearing.