

Bay Village Historic District Commission
Public Hearing Minutes
Boston City Hall, Room 709
Boston, Massachusetts, 02201

January 14, 2020

Commissioners Present: Anne Kilgus, Ruth Knopf and Kathleen McDermott

Commissioners Absent: Stephen Dunwell and Thomas Hotaling,

Staff Present: Joseph Cornish

4:00 PM Commissioner McDermott called the public hearing to order.

I. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BAY VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REGULATORY STANDARDS

Staff distributed copies of the most recent draft and highlighted recent changes. Staff explained that Commissioner Hotaling has volunteered to revise the formatting of the document, and that Commissioner Dunwell has volunteered to draft an introductory statement for the document. Commissioner members discussed revising the wording in paragraph 4 of the document to clarify the Commission's adherence to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties as well as the city's commitment to resilience to climate change. Commission members also discussed how the guidelines should be publicized to members of the neighborhood after they are adopted. Lauren Bennett, reporter for the *Boston Sun*, expressed interest in writing an article about the revised standards after they are adopted by the Commission.

In conclusion, the Commission directed staff to forward the current amended draft to members of the Boston Landmarks Commission for review, and to request revisions from Commissioners Hotaling and Dunwell prior to the February 11, 2020 public hearing.

II. REVIEW AND RATIFICATION OF 12/10/2019 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

The minutes were approved as presented. Commissioner Kilguss initiated the motion and Commissioner Knopf seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 (AK, RK, KM).

4:15 PM Commissioner McDermott adjourned the public hearing.