ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING MINUTES
Boston City Hall,
Boston, MA, 02201 (Held on Zoom only)

DECEMBER 9, 2021

Commissioners Present: Nakeeda Burns, John Bligh, Sharon Cayley, Kirsten Hoffman, Helen Pillsbury,
Commissioners Absent: None
Staff Present: Nicholas Armata, Senior Preservation Planner

A full recording of the hearing is available at (https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/aberdeen-architectural-conservation-district).

4:06 PM: Commissioner Burns called the public hearing to order. He explained that, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, that the public hearing was being conducted virtually via the online meeting platform Zoom in order to review Design Review applications. He also briefly explained how to participate in the online hearing. There were no members of the press present.

Following this brief introduction she called the first Design Review application.

I. DESIGN REVIEW

APP # 22.0511 AB
ADDRESS: 42 ENGLEWOOD ROAD
Applicant: Ben Jacobellis
Proposed Work: Remove tree

Project Representatives: Ben Jacob

Documents Presented: Remove several old-growth trees

Discussion Topics (brief): The applicant failed to appear, no vote was taken.

Public Comment: None
APP # 22.0592 AB
ADDRESS: 1952-1956 BEACON STREET
Applicant: Jenn Robichaud
Proposed Work: New Signage

Project Representatives: Jenn Robichaud

Documents Presented: Sign renderings, existing conditions, elevations, and renderings

Discussion Topics (brief): Location of the sign compared to neighbors, history of renovations of property, hardware details.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Cayley motioned to approve the application as submitted
Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.

APP # 22.0606 AB
ADDRESS: 1608 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE
Applicant: Jenn Robichaud
Proposed Work: New Signage

Project Representatives: n/a

Commissioner comments and questions: Application was removed from the agenda because it is not complete, due to an outstanding violation. No vote was taken.

Public Comment: None
APP # 22.0632 AB
ADDRESS: 1930 BEACON STREET
Applicant: David Lapidus
Proposed Work: Renovations to front façade

Project Representatives: David Lapidus, Anne Snelling-Lee

Documents Presented: Renderings, elevations, shop drawing materials for hardware, existing conditions photographs.

Commissioner comments and questions: The need for screening, the type of lights proposed, how bright the lights will be, paint color appropriateness, light fixture sources and styles, area examples of screening.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Commissioner Burns motioned to approve the application with provisos
Commissioner Cayley seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0

- That a mock-up of the accent lighting is set up and approved by the full commission to determine appropriate brightness and temperature.
- That a mock-up of several types of shielding is set up for approval of the full Commission. Options should include the artificial hedge, a wood option, and a composite-type material.
APP # 22.0630 AB
ADDRESS: 1755 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE
Applicant: Frank Williams
Proposed Work: Replace six (6) existing double hung vinyl windows with (6) Fiberglass windows window with matching trim. Replace two (2) basement windows with (2) fixed Fiberglass casement windows with matching trim. (See Additional Items Under Administrative Review).

**Project Representatives:** Frank Williams

**Documents Presented:** existing conditions, show drawings of windows.

**Discussion Topics (brief):** Area examples of this type of window being used.

**Public Comment:** None

Commissioner Burns motioned to approve the application as submitted. Commissioner Cayley seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.

II. **ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/ APPROVAL:** the Chair announced that the Commission would next review Administrative Review/ Approval applications.

- **APP # 22.0606 AB** 15 COLLISTON ROAD Spot repoint mortar joints, repair masonry sills in kind.
- **APP # 22.0606 AB** 1755 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE Repoint mortar joints and masonry. (See Additional Items under Design Review)

Commissioner Cayley motioned to approve the administrative review applications. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.

IV. **RATIFICATION OF HEARING/ MEETING MINUTES**

Commissioner Cayley motioned to approve the 11/11/2021 minutes. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.
III. Staff Updates

New staff people hired, offer being finalized. Department may shift districts around to planners.

IV. Adjourn – 5:58 PM

Commissioner Burns motioned to adjourn the hearing. Commissioner Hoffman seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.