



ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING/ MEETING MINUTES

Boston City Hall Boston, MA, 02201
(Held virtually via Zoom)

MARCH 14, 2024

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: *Nakeeda Burns, Ed Bredenberg, Sharon Cayley, Kirsten Hoffman, Helen Pillsbury*

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: *None*

STAFF PRESENT: *Nicholas A. Armata AICP Senior Preservation Planner*

A full recording of the hearing is available at [Boston.gov/landmarks](https://www.boston.gov/landmarks).

4:02PM: Commissioner Burns called the public hearing to order. She 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. She 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 violation application.

I. VIOLATION REVIEW

APP # 24.0481 AB

TIME: 4:04 PM

ADDRESS: 7-19 MOUNT HOOD ROAD

Applicant: Lawrence Needle; Fineberg Management Inc.

Proposed Work: Include description as noted on agenda

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES: Lawrence Needle

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Existing conditions photographs, planting plan.

DISCUSSION TOPICS (BRIEF): Placement of the plants, soil conditions, comparison of existing plants with plants removed from property.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Eva Webster a resident of the area requested that the rock be removed from the gardens and that new topsoil is put in place to allow the plants to thrive.



COMMISSIONER BURNS MOTIONED TO RATIFY THE VIOLATION WITH PROVISOS COMMISSIONER BREDENBERG SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-1 (Y: EB, NB, SC, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: NONE).

- *The proposed planting plan of the project has been approved by the Commission with the condition that enough stone will be removed from the site so as to allow for the new shrubs to grow. The owner of the property shall maintain the shrubs and replace any shrubs that do not survive in a manner consistent with the approval.*

II. DESIGN REVIEW

APP # 24.0739 AB

TIME: 4:43

ADDRESS: 1962 BEACON STREET (LATE: HEARD OUT OF ORDER)

Applicant: Nicole Handricken; Sign Design

Proposed Work: New Signage

PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES: Nicole Handricken; Sign Design

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Existing conditions photos, shop drawings for signage.

DISCUSSION TOPICS (BRIEF): The existing sign placement and materials, the placement of the new sign, the visibility of the historic facade materials.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Eva Webster, a resident of the area, asked if the band sign could be moved to the side slightly in order to allow the historic pediment to be visible above the door.

COMMISSIONER CAYLEY MOTIONED TO APPROVED THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS. COMMISSIONER BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-1 (Y: EB, NB, SC, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: CAYLEY).

- *That the sign will be relocated to the left of the entry to the storefront so as to not obstruct the decorative architectural detailing above the entry. The sign shall be positioned on the awning in front of space that does not possess architectural detailing. Updated shop drawings shall be submitted to staff for final approval.*
- *If it is in line with the business branding standards, the Commission requested that the yellow logo be shifted to the left side of "Bin Store." The applicant should report back to staff if this violates the brand standards of the business.*



- The remaining details of the application have been approved as submitted.
- Please note that all window decals, "open" signage, banners (temporary or permanent), flags, sandwich boards, awnings, store hour decals, etc. are subject to review by the Commission.

II. ADVISORY REVIEW

APP # 24.0788 AB 131 KILSYTH RD/1-7 SELKIRK RD: Proposed Work: Construction of 4 new townhouses at 1-7 Selkirk Road and modifications to 131 Selkirk.

COMMENTS: The Commission reviewed the proposal favorably, with only several small recommendations for change including but not limited to the windows, doors, the existing tree preservation and the preservation of the puddingstone outcropping. The next step for the applicant is to submit a full formal application.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/ APPROVAL

APP # 24.0677 AB 156 STRATHMORE ROAD: Replace front porch windows and door in kind.

COMMISSIONER CAYLEY MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ITEMS. COMMISSIONER BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0-0 (Y: EB, NB, SC, KH, HP) (N: NONE).

IV. RATIFICATION OF 02/08/2024 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

COMMISSIONER BREDENBERG MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM 2/08/2024. COMMISSIONER BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0-0 (Y: EB, NB, SC, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: NONE).

IV. STAFF UPDATES

Staff mentioned the upcoming Vision Session for the future of historic preservation in Boston.

V. ADJOURN – 5:13 PM

COMMISSIONER CAYLEY MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING. COMMISSIONER BURNS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0-0 (Y: EB, NB, SC, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: NONE).



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