



**ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING/ MEETING MINUTES**

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

**FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Ed Bredenberg, Helen Pillsbury, Kirsten Hoffman

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Sharon Cayley

**STAFF PRESENT:** Nicholas A. Armata AICP

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

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**4:03PM:** Commissioner Bredenberg 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 he called the first Design Review application.

**I. DESIGN REVIEW**

**APP # 25.0498 AB**

**137 ENGLEWOOD AVENUE**

Applicant: Jordan Robinson; First Realty Mgt.

Proposed Work: Remove two trees

**Project Representatives:** Jordan Robinson; First Realty Management. Carl Taylor; Tree Tech.

**Documents Presented:** Existing conditions photos, letter from arborist regarding condition of trees.

**Discussion Topics (brief):** Age of trees, type of trees, the replacement of the trees with a shade tree, Impact of the trees on the retaining wall.

**Public Comment:** Bret Silverman of the 137 Englewood Avenue Condominium Association supported the project if the trees were replaced.



**COMMISSIONER BREDENBERG MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION WITH PROVISOS. COMMISSIONER HOFFMAN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 3-0-0 (Y: ED, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: SC).**

## **II. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/ APPROVAL**

**APP#: 25.0530 AB 1871-1875 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE:** On the Chestnut Hill Elevation; remove deteriorated sealant at water table over bay window at unit 5 and recaulk. Repair to original condition. East elevation-Repoint deteriorated masonry area under the chimney. Restore to original condition.

**THERE WAS NO VOTE TAKEN ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ITEMS DUE TO A LACK OF QUORUM RELATED CONFLICT OF INTEREST OF COMMISSIONER PILLSBURY. THE APPLICATION IS DEFERRED TO THE NEXT HEARING.**

## **IV. RATIFICATION OF DECEMBER 12, 2024 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

**COMMISSIONER HOFFMAN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER PILLSBURY SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 3-0-0 (Y: ED, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: SC).**

## **III. STAFF UPDATES**

During staff updates, staffperson Nicholas Armata announced two new landmarks; Boston City Hall, and the Jeweler's Building. Staff also announced the new Deputy Director of the Landmarks Commission.

## **IV. ADJOURN – 4:34 PM**

**COMMISSIONER PILLSBURY MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING. COMMISSIONER BREDENBERG SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 3-0-0 (Y: ED, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: SC).**