BAY VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Public Hearing Minutes

Boston City Hall, Boston, MA, 02201

Held virtually via Zoom

August 11, 2026

I. DESIGN REVIEW HEARING 4:00 PM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: *Craig Douglas, Steve Dunwell, Lora Shea*
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: *Senam Kumahia, , Katherine Nelson*
STAFF PRESENT: *Jacqueline Vanegas, Preservation Planner*

4:02 PM: Commissioner Dunwell 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 for the review and ratification of the meeting minutes.

II. RATIFICATION OF 6/9/26 MEETING MINUTES

COMMISSIONER SHEA MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 3-0-0 (Y: CD, SD, LS)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL

APP # 26.1119 BV	**16 MELROSE STREET:** Repair and paint entry stairways in-kind, repair ceiling overhang at entryway in-kind – work to retain all existing decorative elements.
APP # 27.0083 BV	**22-24 PIEDMONT STREET:** Repair masonry as needed, including caulking of joints, miscellaneous tuckpointing, and brick replacement to match existing.
APP # 27.0084 BV	**17-19 WINCHESTER STREET:** Repair masonry as

needed, including caulking of joints, miscellaneous tuckpointing, and brick replacement to match existing.

COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER DUNWELL SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 3-0-0 (Y: CD, SD, LS)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).

IV. VIOLATION UPDATE - 135 CHARLES STREET SOUTH

Staff provided an update on the unapproved installation of signage and modification of the store entryway at 135 Charles Street South. Jacqueline Vanegas, Preservation Planner for the district, informed Commissioners that a violation for the signage has been issued and that other city agencies such as Inspectional Services Department and the Office of Neighborhood Services are aware of the matter as well.

V. STAFF UPDATES

VI. ADJOURN 4:26 pm

COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING. COMMISSIONER SHEA SECONDED THE MOTION. A VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED AND ALL COMMISSIONERS PRESENT VOTED IN FAVOR.