



ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

Boston City Hall Boston, MA, 02201

(held virtually via Zoom)

DECEMBER 14, 2023

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Bredenberg, Pillsbury, Hoffman, Burns

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Cayley

STAFF PRESENT: Nicholas Armata, AICP Senior Preservation Planner

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

4:04PM: 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: 4:05

ADDRESS: 7-19 MT. HOOD ROAD

Applicant: Larry Needle; Fineberg Management Inc.

Proposed Work: ratification of the unapproved removal of shrubs in front of property

Project Representatives: Larry Needle

Documents Presented: Prior and existing conditions photos.

Discussion Topics (brief): Why the shrubs were removed, what replaced the shrubs, the issue with rodents, the layers of ground fill.

Public Comment: Eva Webster expressed her concern for the removal of the shrubs and its impact on the historic district.



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

- *That the applicant works with staff to come up with a new planting plan that would support alleviating the rodent problem while returning some of the vegetation and green space.*

II. DESIGN REVIEW

APP # 24.0437 AB

TIME: 4:25

ADDRESS: 2003 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

Applicant: Keenan Brinn; ExteNet Systems

Proposed Work: Install new wireless facility on roof of structure.

Project Representatives: Keenan Brinn; ExteNet Systems

Documents Presented: Existing conditions photos, shop drawings of proposal, viewshed photos.

Discussion Topics (brief): The location of the units, the color, the visibility, the materials and installation methods of the units, the color of the wall the equipment will be installed on.

Public Comment: There was no public comment for this application.

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

- *That the applicant provides a color sample to staff which will be used to paint the equipment so that it blends in with the wall it is attached on.*

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/ APPROVAL

APP # 24.0468 AB 1875 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE: At level two, side facade, replace two, 1 over 1, aluminum clad windows in kind.

COMMISSIONER BURNS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ITEMS. COMMISSIONER BREDEBERG SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 4-0-1 (Y: NB, EB, KH, HP) (N: NONE) (ABSENT: SC).



IV. RATIFICATION OF 11/9/2023 HEARING MINUTES

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

V. STAFF UPDATES

Staff thanked the Commission for their service.

VI. ADJOURN – 4:40

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