



Historical Commission

Regular

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Andrew Strniste
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Thursday, April 17, 2025

5:30 PM

Richard Neal Municipal Operations Center

I. Call to Order

5:30 PM Meeting called to order on April 17, 2025 at Richard Neal Municipal Operations Center, 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, MA.

II. Minutes Approval

1. Thursday, April 03, 2025

III. Public Hearings (Continued)

1. Petition (ID # 8559)

70 Buckingham Street (Planter Boxes & Trellis)

70 BUCKINGHAM STREET: Planter Boxes and Garden Trellis with Gates

HISTORY:

04/03/25

Historical Commission CONTINUE VOTE

Next: 04/17/25

Ashley Patridge and Victoria Bailey Chance from 70 Buckingham Street were before the Commission to present the application.

V. Chance advised that they would like to remove the chain link fence and construct garden beds using a brick color that is the same as the sidewalk, as well as paint the wood. They are also planning to install garden trellises to have the plants grow up the trellis.

Commissioner V. Walsh inquired as to if the garden beds would need permits from the Building Department. V. Chance advised that their preference is to remove the chain link fence. Further discussion ensued as to whether building permits were required.

Commissioner V. Walsh made a motion to continue the hearing to April 17. The motion was seconded by Commissioner W. Kroll. Chair A. Nardi inquired as to what would happen during the winter months; V. Chance advised that they are hoping to plant seasonal plants. The motion was approved unanimously.

2. Petition (ID # 8561)

110 Thompson Street (Siding)

110 THOMPSON STREET: Installation of Vinyl Siding

HISTORY:**04/03/25****Historical Commission CONTINUE VOTE****Next: 04/17/25**

Steven Brantley from 42 Arbutus Street was before the Commission to discuss the application on behalf of the landowner Maria Parkinson.

S. Brantley informed the Commission that M. Parkinson wants to preserve the building and has been impressed with his work. S. Brantley advised that he could see the hardship of the landowner due to the incremental payments being sent to him for the work being performed.

Chair A. Nardi sought clarification of the two options presented to the Commission; S. Brantley advised that the first option was preferable. Chair A. Nardi advised that the second option would be a Non-Applicability application.

Commissioner V. Walsh informed the Commission that he could not vote in favor of the proposed application.

Chair A. Nardi opined that to correctly maintain the siding, it would need to be sanding down the clapboard.

S. Brantley advised that clapboards would be replaced where needed.

Commissioner V. Walsh informed S. Brantley that replacing clapboard siding with vinyl is typically a last resort; S. Brantley inquired about different options.

Commissioner V. Walsh recommended continuing the hearing to allow the Commission to perform a site visit.

Commissioner V. Walsh made a motion to continue the hearing to the April 17 meeting. Commissioner W. Kroll seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

IV. Public Hearings (New)

1. Petition (ID # 8586)

95-97 Chestnut Street (Painting Facade)

95-97 CHESTNUT STREET: Painting Brick Façade

2. Petition (ID # 8587)

15-19 Litchfield Street (Rear Porch)

15-19 LITCHFIELD STREET: Rear Porch Modifications

3. Petition (ID # 8588)

102 Dartmouth Street (Roof)

102 DARTMOUTH STREET: Replacement of Slate Roof

V. Public Hearings (Continued)

1. Petition (ID # 8556)

102 Dartmouth Street (Solar)

102 DARTMOUTH STREET: Installation of Solar Powered Panels

HISTORY:

04/03/25 Historical Commission **CONTINUE VOTE**

Next: 04/17/25

Staff Member A. Strniste informed the Commission that prior to the evening's hearing, he was informed that the slate roof was proposed to be replaced with an asphalt shingle roof, which was not warned on the notice. Therefore, he recommended that the Commission continue the hearing to the April 17, 2025 meeting.

Commissioner W. Kroll made a motion to continue the hearing to the April 17, 2025 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner J. Crowell. With no further discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

VI. Other Matters Properly Before the Commission

1. Informational (ID # 8589)

Letter of Support (471 Plainfield Street- Renovations)

LETTER OF SUPPORT RELATING TO 471 PLAINFIELD STREET: Exterior & Interior Renovations

2. Informational (ID # 8590)

Standard Guidelines for Those LHDs Without Specific Guidelines

STANDARD GUIDELINES FOR THOSE LHDs WITHOUT SPECIFIC GUIDELINES

3. Informational (ID # 8594)

Proposed Birnie-Taylor-Lay Block Local Historical District Update

PROPOSED BIRNIE-TAYLOR-LAY BLOCK LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT UPDATE

4. Informational (ID # 8591)

Administrative Updates

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

5. Informational (ID # 8592)

May 1, 2025 Quorum Call

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6. Informational (ID # 8593)

Public Speak-Out Session

PUBLIC SPEAK-OUT SESSION