



Historical Commission

Regular

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Tuesday, February 21, 2023

4:00 PM

Richard Neal Municipal Operations Center

I. Call to Order

4:00 PM Meeting called to order on February 21, 2023 at Richard Neal Municipal Operations Center, 70 Tapley Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Thomas Belton		Absent	
Vincent Walsh	Chair	Absent	
Alfonso Nardi	Vice-Chair	Absent	
Judith Crowell	CPC Representative	Present	
William Duquette		Absent	
Bryan Mcfarland		Present	
Walter Kroll	Alternate	Absent	

II. Other Matters Properly before the Commission

1. Informational (ID # 7246)

Discussion: New Construction Guidelines - Character of Historic Neighborhoods

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COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Summary of Meeting:

Guidelines for New Construction with respect to the Character of Historic Neighborhoods were discussed:

- Commissioner McFarland suggested that instead of defining the Character of Neighborhoods, it is better to define a mechanism using three different components to determine style type:
 - Massing & Composition
 - Windows & Doors
 - Porches
- The SHC should be able to determine the style type of a street for a proposed project, utilizing the following:
 - Parcel guidelines from the Design Guidelines for the Residential Architecture of Springfield
 - The 3 components listed above and
 - A virtual tour of the street scape
- The determination of the style type could be part of the preliminary process discussed in the Application subcommittee.

2. Informational (ID # 7247)

Public Speak-Out Session

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COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Harry Seymour spoke in favor of utilizing the Dietz document, Design Guidelines for the Residential Architecture of Springfield, as a resource.

RESULT: RECEIVED THE REPORT-PASSED
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