

BRISTOL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING

Held: February 10, 2011, at Town Hall, 10 Court Street, Bristol, Rhode Island

Present: Chairman Oryann Lima, Members, Eric Hertfelder, Victor Cabral, Thomas Enright

Also Present: Andrew Teitz, Esq., Assistant Town Solicitor

Absent: Reggie McCarthy, John Allen, Sara Butler

Chairman Lima brought the meeting to order at 7:05PM.

The reading of the minutes for the January 6, 2011, meeting was continued to the March 3, 2011, meeting. (Cabral/Hertfelder 4-0)

1. 11-003 573 Hope St., James and Virginia Davis

install trim replicating existing on south elevation

Property owner Virginia Davis presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-C. Application is for design of trim to cover area exposed when the roof overhang was removed. Applicant seeks approval of her plan to continue the motif on the south elevation around to the front (east elevation) as pictured in Exhibit A. The corner boards on the left and right of the east elevation will be carried down to ground level. Fascia boards, dentals, and moldings will be duplicated on the east elevation using in kind material.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. Lombard Pozzi submitted photos showing existence of trim around the turn of the century (20th), and stated his opinion that the trim should be identical to that on south elevation.

A motion was made to approve Application 11-003 as presented for installation of trim to match south elevation and continuation down of the corner boards on the east elevation using in kind material in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #6, 9 (Hertfelder/Cabral 4-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 6, 9

Project Monitor: Victor Cabral

2. 11-004 262 Hope St., Gerald P. Romano

replace 2nd floor porch support beam

Property owner Gerald Romano and contractor David Costa presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-H. The center and south support beams of the second floor porch are deteriorated and need to be replaced. The

railings won't need to be touched, some of the ceiling will probably have to be removed and replaced. The beams pass through the columns which are in good condition. All replacement beam material will be in kind as existing. Chairman Lima asked if the north beam would be replaced, owner said he didn't think it was necessary. Chairman Lima suggested that the north beam would be added to the decision in case it was found during repair that it needed to be replaced.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 11-004 as presented to replace all three second story porch support beams if necessary. All trim will be repaired or replaced using in kind material, design and dimensions in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standards #6, 9 (Hertfelder/Cabral 4-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standards: 6, 9

Project Monitor: Victor Cabral

3. 11-006 107 High St., Fatima Mello
install front stair rails

Property owner Fatima Mello presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A. Application is for approval of temporary front stair rails that have already been installed, see Exhibit A. Applicant asked how long the rails could be left in place on a temporary basis, Solicitor Teitz answered that in temporary in HDC legal meaning is one year.

Chairman Lima stated that the installed rails are not appropriate for the character of the house and if they had been applied for, the style would probably not have been approved. Owner stated that the rails will be removed when they are no longer needed. Chairman Lima stated that the fee for installation without approval needed to be paid, and that a building permit needed to be applied for and issued by the building inspector.

Eric Hertfelder stated that as the rails are in place and have not damaged any historic fabric that he felt it would be appropriate to issue temporary approval for one year.

Member Enright asked Solicitor Teitz what a temporary approval would mean to the property owner. Solicitor Teitz stated that in one year the owner would need to either:

1. remove rails
2. ask for an extension of time
3. apply with a design change.

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 11-006 as presented for the existing rails on a temporary basis for a period of one year in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standard #9 (Hertfelder/Enright 4-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standard: 9

4. 11-007 55 High St., John R. Andrade
install new driveway

Property owner presented. Staff Assistant photographs were marked Exhibit A, Applicant plans were marked Exhibits B-C. Mr. Andrade applies for approval for a new driveway 65' long and 10' wide on the south side of his property. Proposed driveway is to be constructed of red/brown stone. The foundation will be 7-8" of gravel with 2" of red/brown stone on top (no asphalt).

Chairman Lima invited comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made to approve Application 11-007 for a 65' x 10' driveway constructed of red/brown stone on the south side of the property as presented in accordance with Secretary of the Interior Standard #9 (Cabral/Hertfelder 4-0).

Findings of Facts include that this decision conforms to the Secretary of the Interior Standard: 9

Project Monitor: Thomas Enright

Staff Report: Report of sign-offs for the month: 274 High, 21 Milk, 343 Thames

Old Business:

New Business: Chairman Lima stated she is requesting budget money to purchase a new tape recorder.

Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was unanimously passed at 8:05PM (Hertfelder/Enright)

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Date Approved: March 3, 2011