



**CITY OF STAMFORD  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

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**(FINAL) Minutes of the Historic Preservation Advisory Commission (HPAC)**

Date: Regular Meeting held: June 6, 2017  
Location: Stamford City Hall, 888 Washington Blvd. Stamford CT 06901  
6th Floor Safety Training Room  
Present: Anne Goslin, David Woods, Barry Hersh, Rebecca Shannonhouse, Elena Kalman

This was a shortened meeting due to attendance at the Planning Board meeting prior to this time slot. The meeting started at about 6:30 p.m.

**REGULAR MEETING**

**I. Call to order** (Meeting called to order 7:35 p.m.)

A motion was made to request that R. Shannonhouse and E. Kalman serve as voting members for the meeting.

(The motion was moved by A. Goslin and seconded by B. Hersh, and carried unanimously.)

**II Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2017 meeting.

(The motion was moved by D. Woods and seconded by B. Hersh and carried unanimously.)

**III. New Business**

**A. Meeting with Ralph Blessing**

1. There was a brief update of the meeting with Ralph Blessing on May 23, 2017. Barry, Anne, and David attended. The discussion was about communication and future review procedures. There were a few general items of discussion as follows.
  - Relationship with other Boards and referral procedures. This came up in reference to the last Planning Board meeting where HPAC did not attend.
  - Staff support of HPAC
  - Preservation tools in the zoning code including possible proposals for Stamford.
  - Other preservation tools that may assist HPAC in the future.
  - Any recommendations from HPAC on management or procedure
  - The demo ordinance and if any changes should be made. Including brief review of Mr. Klein's changes.
  - Planning for future meetings about once every two or three months.

(The item was tabled without further decision. Review of status will be on going.)



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**B. Grove Street Application for 7.3 Renovation**

1. There was general discussion about an application to renovate and add two units to a house at 30 (number?) Grove St. The City has asked that HPAC provide a letter of support for the project. The discussion was that there are a few items that the architect should address. It was understood by the group that Renee Kahn will continue to monitor the project into construction and completion on behalf of the City.
  - a. The height of the new roof above the height of the existing roof.
  - b. The scale of the windows both in the renovation and on the addition. They should be more compatible with the existing historical windows.
  - c. The cantilever of the second story over the drive is a concern as it encroaches on the drive and is close to the property line and neighbors. Comment: the scale with the existing house looks odd.
  - d. There was concern about the viability and functionality of the parking area at the rear, as well as the connection to the driveway.
2. It was agreed that A. Goslin will write a letter to the City expressing these 4 concerns. It will also be requested that the development team address the issues and return to HPAC at a future meeting to present the corrections as well as the finishes. It is also understood that a 7.3 application will require that the team return to HPAC with developed plans.

(The motion was moved to have Anne write the letter as noted above. by D. Woods and seconded by B. Hersh and carried unanimously.)

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Update on Post Office Progress**

1. Elena gave a brief update. She said that the application for tax credits was denied. The application has gone to the National Park Service (NPS) as was noted previously. There is an appeal process that the developer will pursue.

(The item was tabled without further decision. Review of status will be on going.)

**B. Demolition Ordinance, Assistance Request.**

1. D. Woods supplied the draft comments from the last HPAC meeting to Jason Klein, listing the concerns to the changes proposed to the demolition ordinance. Mr. Klein asked to appear before the July meeting to address the concerns and to make any additional suggestions.



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2. Mr. Klein will be scheduled for the July meeting.

(The item was tabled without further decision. Review of status will be on going.)

**C. Other items of Note**

Non were noted

(The item was tabled without further decision. Review of status will be on going.)

**V. Adjournment**

Ms. Anne Goslin adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Drafted by: David W. Woods AIA - Secretary - June 23, 2017  
Stamford Historic Preservation Advisory Commission

Meetings are normally on the second Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00 p.m. in the 6th Floor Safety Training Room. The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 11, 2017.