**ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION**

**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

*Held virtually via Zoom*

**July 8, 2021**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** *John Bligh, Sharon Cayley, Kirsten Hoffman*

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** *Nakeeda Burns, Helen Pillsbury*

**STAFF PRESENT:** *Nicholas Armata, Senior Preservation Planner*

A full recording of the hearing is available at: https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/aberdeen-architectural-conservation-district

**4:00 PM:** Vice Chair S. Cayley 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.

Following this brief introduction she called the first design review application.

1. **DESIGN REVIEW**

**APP # 21.1136 AB 85 COREY ROAD**

Applicant: Elias Logan; MERGE Architects

Proposed Work: Replace, a non-original egress stairway in back of the building. Enlarge (2) south facing basement window for egress.

**Project Representative:** Elias Logan

**Documents Presented:** The Commissioners reviewed photographs of existing conditions and plans of the proposed work.

**Discussion Topics:** The Commissioners questioned the existing conditions, visibility, and need for the egress stairs, and the color it should be painted.

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**S. Cayley motioned to approve the application with provisos. J. Bligh seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 (Y: JB, SC, KH) (N: None).**

* **The color sample will be submitted to staff for final approval.**

1. **ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL*:*** *In order to expedite the review process, the commission has delegated the approval of certain work items, such as those involving ordinary maintenance and repair, restoration or replacement, or which otherwise have a minimal impact on a building’s appearance, to commission staff pending ratification at its monthly public hearing.* ***Having been identified as meeting these eligibility criteria and all applicable guidelines, the following applications will be approved at this hearing:***

*► Applicants whose projects are listed under this heading* ***NEED NOT APPEAR*** *at the hearing. Following the hearing, you will be issued a Determination Sheet to present at the Inspectional Services Department (1010 Massachusetts Avenue) as proof of project approval when applying for permits. ISD personnel will send an electronic copy of your building-permit application to the commission staff for review. (To avoid potential confusion, the text of your building-permit application should be consistent with the project description given below.) Commission staff will accordingly authorize the execution of the work, attaching any applicable provisos, reflecting the relevant guidelines and precedents.*

*►* ***PLEASE NOTE THAT FOLLOWING ISSUANCE OF THE DETERMINATION SHEET NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE APPLICATIONS LISTED BELOW****. The electronic building-permit application as annotated by commission staff will constitute your Certificate of Appropriateness; this will be valid for one year from the date of the hearing. The applicant is required to notify the commission of any project changes; failure to do so may affect the status of the approval.*

**APP # 21.1136 AB 85 COREY ROAD** At all facades, replace all wood windows with correct(existing) window pane configuration; aluminum clad, double hung, true divided light windows. Garage will have windows replaced; windows will be 6 over 6, aluminum clad true divided light. Basement windows will be three vertical lights, replace, a non-original egress stairway in back of the building. Enlarge (2) south facing basement window for egress. Install four flat install skylights at rear.

**S. Cayley motioned to approve the application as submitted. J. Bligh seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 (Y: JB, SC, KH) (N: None).**

1. **Staff Updates**

Staff previewed the online application program.

**III. RATIFICATION OF 6/10/2021 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

**S. Cayley motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. J. Bligh seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 (Y: JB, SC, KH) (N: None).**

1. **Adjourn – 10:01 PM**

**S. Cayley motioned to adjourn the hearing. J. Bligh seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 (Y: SC, JB, KH) (N: None).**