



City of Boston Mayor Michelle Wu

### ABERDEEN ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING/ MEETING MINUTES

Boston City Hall, Boston, MA, 02201 (Held on Zoom only)

# **DECEMBER 9, 2021**

Commissioners Present: Nakeeda Burns, John Bligh, Sharon Cayley, Kirsten Hoffman, Helen Pillsbury, Commissioners Absent: None Staff Present: Nicholas Armata, Senior Preservation Planner

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

**4:06 PM:** Commissioner Burns called the public hearing to order. He 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. He also briefly explained how to participate in the online hearing. There were no members of the press present.

Following this brief introduction she called the first Design Review application.

## I. DESIGN REVIEW

APP # 22.0511 AB ADDRESS: 42 ENGLEWOOD ROAD Applicant: Ben Jacobellis Proposed Work: Remove tree

Project Representatives: Ben Jacob

Documents Presented: Remove several old-growth trees

Discussion Topics (brief): The applicant failed to appear, no vote was taken.

Public Comment: None

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APP # 22.0592 AB ADDRESS: 1952-1956 BEACON STREET Applicant: Jenn Robichaud Proposed Work: New Signage

Project Representatives: Jenn Robichaud

**Documents Presented:** Sign renderings, existing conditions, elevations, and renderings

**Discussion Topics (brief):** Location of the sign compared to neighbors, history of renovations of property, hardware details.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Cayley motioned to approve the application as submitted Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.

APP # 22.0606 AB ADDRESS: 1608 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE Applicant: Jenn Robichaud Proposed Work: New Signage

**Project Representatives:** n/a

**Commissioner comments and questions:** Application was removed from the agenda because it is not complete, due to an outstanding violation. No vote was taken.

Public Comment: None



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#### APP # 22.0632 AB ADDRESS: 1930 BEACON STREET Applicant: David Lapidus Proposed Work: Renovations to front façade

Project Representatives: David Lapidus, Anne Snelling-Lee

**Documents Presented:** Renderings, elevations, shop drawing materials for hardware, existing conditions photographs.

**Commissioner comments and questions:** The need for screening, the type of lights proposed, how bright the lights will be, paint color appropriateness, light fixture sources and styles, area examples of screening.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Commissioner Burns motioned to approve the application with provisos Commissioner Cayley seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0

- That a mock-up of the accent lighting is set up and approved by the full commission to determine appropriate brightness and temperature.
- That a mock-up of several types of shielding is set-up for approval of the full Commission. Options should include the artificial hedge, a wood option, and a composite-type material.







#### APP # 22.0630 AB ADDRESS: 1755 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

Applicant: Frank Williams

Proposed Work: Replace six (6) existing double hung vinyl windows with (6) Fiberglass windows window with matching trim. Replace two (2) basement windows with (2) fixed Fiberglass casement windows with matching trim (See Additional Items Under Administrative Review).

Project Representatives: Frank Williams

**Documents Presented:** existing conditions, show drawings of windows.

**Discussion Topics (brief):** Area examples of this type of window being used.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Burns motioned to approve the application as submitted Commissioner Cayley seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.

- **II. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/ APPROVAL:** the Chair announced that the Commission would next review Administrative Review/ Approval applications.
  - APP # 22.0606 AB <u>15 COLLISTON ROAD</u> Spot repoint mortar joints, repair masonry sills in kind.
  - APP # 22.0606 AB <u>1755 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE</u> Repoint mortar joints and masonry. (See Additional Items under Design Review)

Commissioner Cayley motioned to approve the administrative review applications. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0

**IV. RATIFICATION OF HEARING/ MEETING MINUTES** 

Commissioner Cayley motioned to approve the 11/11/2021 minutes. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0







# III. Staff Updates

New staff people hired, offer being finalized. Department may shift districts around to planners.

#### IV. Adjourn – 5:58 PM

Commissioner Burns motioned to adjourn the hearing. Commissioner Hoffman seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0-0.

