



**BAY VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

Held virtually via Zoom

June 14, 2022

Commissioners Present: *Stephen Dunwell, Thomas Hotaling, Anne Kilguss, Ruth Knopf and Kathleen McDermott*

Commissioners Absent: *None*

Staff Present: *Joseph Cornish, Director of Design Review*

4:00 PM: Chair K. McDermott 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. Member of the press, Lauren Bennett (*Boston Sun*) was present.

Following this brief introduction K. McDermott called the first agenda item.

I. DESIGN REVIEW

22.1275 BV 121 Charles Street South:

Applicant: Ricky Zeng

Proposed Work: At front façade install wall sign and blade sign.

Project Representative: Ricky Zeng

Documents Presented: The Commissioners reviewed a presentation consisting of details, plans, and photos of the existing conditions and the proposed signs.

Discussion Topics: Commissioners were in agreement that the proposed wall sign is appropriate but expressed concern that the font and design of the proposed blade sign does not match the proposed wall sign.

Public Comment: Staff reported that Sarah Herlihy submitted comments on behalf of the Bay Village Neighborhood Association (BVNA) that stated that the BVNA does not oppose the project.

K. McDermott motioned to approve the wall sign as submitted and to continue the review of the proposed blade sign. S. Dunwell seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: SD, TH, AK, RK, KM) (N: None) (Abstentions: None).

II. Administrative Review/Approval Applications

22.1189 BV

48 Piedmont Street: Replace deteriorated wood trim in-kind.

S. Dunwell motioned to approve this application as submitted. A. Kilguss seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: SD, TH, AK, RK, KM) (N: None) (Abstentions: None).

III. RATIFICATION OF 5/10/2022 MEETING MINUTES

K. McDermott motioned to approve the Hearing Minutes as submitted. S. Dunwell seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: SD, TH, AK, RK, KM) (N: None) (Abstentions: None).

IV. STAFF UPDATES – Staff reported that the Law Department completed its the revised design standards. The city ordinance creating the Bay Village Historic District Commission will need to be amended to allow for Bay Village Historic District Commission review of: paint colors on surfaces other than masonry; lighting at entryways; and any work visible from a public way. Staff will be meeting with City Councilor Kenzie Bok to discuss process. Staff will circulate the latest draft of the revised design standards for review at the 7-12-2022 public hearing.

V. Adjourn – 4:41 PM

K. McDermott motioned to adjourn the hearing. A. Kilguss seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0 (Y: SD, TH, AK, RK, KM) (N: None) (Abstentions: None).