

## City of Medford

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

City Hall – Room 308 85 George P. Hassett Drive Medford, Massachusetts 02155

## June 8, 2020 Medford Historical Commission Hearing Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom- Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. Digital Meeting statement read by J. Keenan, Chair, at beginning of meeting.

<u>Members present:</u> Ryan Hayward, Doug Carr, Ben Johnson, Jennifer Keenan, Edward Wiest, Peter Miller, Abigail Salerno<u>. Absent</u>: None

**43 Pleasant Street** - J. Keenan read the significance bylaw.

**Motion:** To find 43 Pleasant Street preferably preserved (R. Hayward, 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Miller) **Approved:** 6-0. 18 month delay to demolition permit. Commissioners felt the house represents a time and place and contributes to the historic district. Need a compelling reason to tear down a house. House is largely intact with architectural detail and minimal changes made.

Homeowners Ted and Stacy – Homeowners would like to tear house down in order to have a more sustainable house. Also to be compliant with setbacks.

Louise and Louis Warren (31 Pleasant Street) – Live next door and would like the house moved to comply with fire code.

Email: Sharon Guzik (10 Manning Street): urges historical commission to find house preferably preserved. House is located in the old ship district and if this house is torn down it would be a detriment to the historical resources of the city of Medford.

**67 Magoun** - **Motion**: To deny lifting of demolition delay because 67 Magoun has not made any effort to come to amicable conclusion. **Approved**: 6-0

<u>CPA projects update</u> – CPA projects update: Public meeting for Thomas Brooks Park. Approx 35 people in attendance. Many emails. Comments compiled in one document. Use Royall Park as an example to community.

Oak Grove Tree project update: Still mapping out what trees can in when. Amanda Bowen (Community gardens) interested in tree project. Abby will keep her in the loop.

MHC Grant update- on hold due to budgetary concerns.

**LHDC update** – historic district commission has not met since March. Concern about demo delays that are running out of time. J. Keenan to email Alicia Hunt.

**Covid-19**-J. Keenan emailed City Solicitor regarding demo delay and construction updates.

Minutes: Motion to approve May 2020 minutes. Approved: 6-0

Motion: To adjourn at 8:24 Approved: 6-0

Next meeting: Monday, July 13, 2020