

City of Medford

HISTORICAL COMMISSION HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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

October 17, 2022 Medford Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting held via Zoom - Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm. Digital Meeting statement read by Ryan Hayward, Acting Chair, at beginning of meeting.

<u>Members present:</u> Ryan Hayward, Edward Wiest, Doug Carr, Kit Nichols and Peter Miller. Denis MacDougall also present. <u>Absent:</u> Jennifer Keenan and Jessica Farrell.

Receive Demolition Applications:

- <u>31 South Street</u> Partial demolition of roof dormer to expand attic space. <u>Motion:</u> (EW, 2nd PM) to accept the demolition application. <u>Approved:</u> 4-0. Owner's counsel Charles Glyman of Foster Walker and Di Marco attended later in the meeting and requested an update. R. Hayward informed Mr. Glyman that the demolition application had been accepted.
- <u>180 Lincoln Road</u> Total demolition in order to build to build a new single family house. <u>Motion:</u> (EW, 2nd KN) To accept the demolition application. <u>Approved:</u> 4-0. <u>Motion:</u> (PM, 2nd EW) to expend \$500.00 to create a Form B for the property. <u>Approved:</u> 4-0.

Determination of Significance:

• <u>8 Hamlin Avenue</u> – R. Hayward outlined the process and reviewed the meaning of historical and architectural significance. The Form B and merits of the house were discussed. The majority of the commissioners felt that the house had lost most of its integrity, was a fairly common building type in the city, and did not rise to the level of significant. <u>Motion:</u> (EW, 2nd PM) to find significant. <u>Failed:</u> 0-4.

Site Plan Review:

• <u>121 Riverside Avenue</u> - P. Miller to draft and circulate comments. Comment letter due by Nov. 4, 2022.

Demolition Delay Updates:

• **33 Third Street:** Exp. 08/2023. No new update.

<u>Update on Permit Review Sub-committee</u>: On-going. J. Keenan and R. Hayward to stay in touch with the building department regarding future hiring of a permanent Building Commissioner.

Update on CPA Projects:

• **Thomas Brooks Park**: Volunteers needed for the artifact sorting process. Waiting for mason to commence Pomp's Wall restoration work. There has been difficulty sourcing appropriate brick and sandstone to match the existing wall. Awaiting finance department monetary allocation for the fieldstone wall restoration project.

<u>Survey Projects Update</u>: Brickyard area awaiting paperwork. Winter Hill – needs to be closed out as per Mass HC, yet awaiting finance department for grant matching funds. Fulton Heights – awaiting grant paperwork, preliminarily awarded to Claire Dempsey with John Clemson.

<u>Comprehensive Plan Discussion:</u> E. Wiest commented on gateway areas. The Commissioners agreed that paid staff were needed to execute the portions of the comprehensive plan. Comments to be forwarded to R. Hayward.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: **Motion:** (EW, 2nd KN) to approve the September 12, 2022 MHC meeting minutes. **Approved:** 3-0 with 1 recusal. **Motion:** (KN, 2nd DC) to approve the October 3, 2022 MHC meeting minutes. **Approved:** 4-0.

Motion: (EW, 2nd PM) to adjourn at 7:49 pm. Approved: 4-0.

Next Meeting: November 14, 2022 via Zoom. Start time 7:00 pm. Denis MacDougall to coordinate. Open meetings to be extended until March 2023.