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MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS CHESTNUT HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

DATE: February 19, 2009

PLACE/TIME: City Hall, Room 202
7:30pm

ATTENDING: John Wyman, Chair Liviu Brill, Vice-Chair
William Roesner, Member Robert Imperto, Member
Joyce Dostale, Member Lois McMullin, Member
Peter Vieira, Alternate Brian Lever, Staff
See Attendance List

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with John Wyman presiding as Chair. Voting permanent members were Wyman, Brill, Roesner, Imperto, Dostale, and McMullin. Alternate member Vieira also voted joining the Commission in his first meeting as a participant. The meeting was taped on 1 tape.

20 Chestnut Hill Terrace – Amend Certificate of Appropriateness

Architect Matthew O’Connell and property owner Pete Levangie presented proposed changes to a previously approved plan for a rear addition. The commission granted its previous approval at the October 08 meeting. O’Connell stated that zoning requirements prompted the shifting of the rear addition 4 feet to the west, thus saving from demolition a rear entryway the commission had expressed interest in retaining. The new design integrated the existing rear entryway into the new rear addition with a sloping slate roof. O’Connell also proposed simulated divided lite wood aluminum clad replacement windows throughout the house. Vieira inquired about the intersection of the existing rear entryway sloping slate roof and roof of the new addition. O’Connell stated that the dentil detailing would not wrap all the way around. Brill asked if one of the windows could be altered allowing the lead flashing to continue straight across the rear façade rather than wrap around the window. O’Connell stated that the window in question was a bedroom window and desired it kept as is. Staff stated that while the rear entryway was a nice feature it did not integrate well with the new addition and should probably either exist independently or be removed. Roesner suggested moving the addition to reveal the third side of the entryway and give it more of a three dimensional appearance. Commission members discussed the removal of the entryway. Wyman moved to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness.

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on February 19, 2009 the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, by vote of 7-0,

RESOLVED to issue a certificate of appropriateness for the application as submitted for the rear addition and replacement windows with the following conditions: (1) that the replacement windows be wood aluminum clad simulated divided lite matching the existing grille pattern, (2) that the applicant has the option of removing the rear entryway, (3) that final design drawings including roof slope and elevations for all sides of the proposed addition be submitted to the commission for approval at a public

meeting. FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission suggests the submission of a seam pattern for the roof of the proposed addition.

Voting in the Affirmative:

John Wyman, Chair

William Roesner, Member

Joyce Dostale, Member

Peter Vieira, Alternate

Liviu Brill, Vice-Chair

Robert Imperto, Member

Lois McMullin, Member

Other Business: Approval of Minutes.

The Commission approved the minutes from the December 08 meeting and the January 09 meeting 5-0 with Imperto and Vieira abstaining from vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:07. Minutes approved at the March 19, 2009 meeting.

Recorded by Brian Lever, Commission Staff