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

DATE: June 19, 2009

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

ATTENDING: Liviu Brill, Vice-Chair William Roesner, Member
Lois McMullin, Member Merle Winer, Alternate
Peter Vieira, Alternate Brian Lever, Staff
See Attendance List

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with Liviu Brill presiding as Vice-Chair. Voting permanent members were Brill, Roesner, and McMullin. Alternate members Winer and Vieira also voted. The meeting was taped on one tape.

428 Hammond Street– Certificate of Appropriateness Time Extension

Laura Rutherford from the Chestnut Hill School updated the Commission on the progress of installing outdoor classroom space and changes to the landscape. Rutherford stated that the Chestnut Hill School would not be able to finish the changes to the playing fields until the end of the summer and requested additional time. Winer moved to approve the time extension and Roesner seconded.

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on June 18, 2009 the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, by vote of 5-0,

RESOLVED to renew the existing certificate of appropriateness for the landscape changes for a period of one year.

Voting in the Affirmative:

Liviu Brill, Vice-Chair
Lois McMullin, Member
William Roesner, Member
Merle Winer, Alternate
Peter Vieira, Alternate

109 Essex Road – Certificate of Appropriateness

Lisa Botticelli architect for the applicant presented an application to replace the existing rear addition with a new rear addition, extend the second floor over the first floor sunroom, add a rear mudroom, and change windows. The rear addition will have wood siding and a copper roof. The second floor addition would use a slate roof and wood exterior. Commission members provided suggestions on the proposed changes. Vieira and Roesner suggested eliminating the middle window on the second floor rear façade of the cross-gabled rear wing. Commission members suggested brick for the rear mudroom addition. Roesner suggested that the rear mudroom be an extension of the patio above and have the balustrade continue around its perimeter. Winer moved to approve the application and Roesner seconded.

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on June 18, 2009 the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, by vote of 5-0,

RESOLVED to issue a certificate of appropriateness for the application as submitted with the following recommendations: (1) that the middle window on the second floor rear façade of the cross-gabled rear wing be removed; (2) that a copper roof be used for the new rear additions; (3) that the balustrades in the new rear addition match the existing balustrades on the rear patio; (4) and that the rear mudroom addition have the rear balustrades run along its perimeter incorporating it into the existing patio and a brick exterior.

Voting in the Affirmative:

Liviu Brill, Vice-Chair
Lois McMullin, Member
William Roesner, Member
Merle Winer, Alternate
Peter Vieira, Alternate

26 Acacia Avenue – Certificate of Appropriateness Amended Design

James Jumes presented an application to narrow the driveway and lower the height of the rear garage addition by approximately one foot. Roesner moved to approve the application and Winer seconded.

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on June 18, 2009 the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, by vote of 5-0,

RESOLVED to issue a certificate of appropriateness for the application as submitted.

Voting in the Affirmative:

Liviu Brill, Vice-Chair
Lois McMullin, Member
William Roesner, Member
Merle Winer, Alternate
Peter Vieira, Alternate

Other Business: Approval of Minutes.

The Commission approved the minutes from March, April, and May of 2009.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Minutes approved at the July 16th meeting.

Recorded by Brian Lever, Commission Staff