

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER
March 21, 2013**

LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBER – CITY HALL

Commission Members Present: Timothy McCann, Chair
Kevin Provencher, Vice-Chair
J. Thomas Constantine
Erika Dunn
Andrew Shveda

Commission Members Absent: James Crowley
Meagen Mulherin

Staff Members Present: Deborah Steele, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

REGULAR MEETING (5:30 PM)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair McCann called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for March 7, 2013 were held.

New Business:

1. 38-40 Newbury Street (HC-2013-006):

Francisco Argueta along with the petitioner, Alba Vasquez, appeared on behalf of the application for a Building Demolition Delay Waiver (BDDW).

Mr. Argueta stated that when Mr. Vasquez had purchased the home he had found issues with the roof and would like to remove the existing asphalt shingled roof and replace with architectural shingles and a rubber roof system. Mr. Argueta presented an example of the type of material to be used.

Commissioner Provencher asked if there would be any repair on the fascia or brackets. Mr. Argueta stated a small section in back of the house will be covered with aluminum which will match the existing fascia.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Provencher and seconded by Commissioner Constantine, the Commission voted 5-0 that the proposed demolition was not detrimental to the historical or architectural resources of the City. The motion passed and the petition was approved.

LIST OF EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A: Building Demolition Delay Waiver Application; received February 20, 2013; prepared by Francisco Argueta.

Exhibit B: Form B – Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System; re: 38-40 Newbury Street; accessed on March 14, 2013.

Other Business:

- 2. Request for Letter of Support** – Letter from Attorney Stephen Madaus re: Request for Determination of Eligibility – 82-84 Pleasant Street; dated March 6, 2013, received March 7, 2013.

Chair McCann stated that Mirick O’Connell Attorneys at Law, representing ABG Real Estate, LLC had submitted a request for letter of support to apply for 82-84 Pleasant Street to be included in the National Register of Historic Places.

Chair McCann stated the Commission had received a letter from Division of Planning & Regulatory Services asking that the Worcester Historical Commission support this petition.

The Commission voted 5-0 to have staff draft a letter of support to Massachusetts Historical Commission for signature.

Exhibit A: Memorandum from the City of Worcester Division of Planning & Regulatory Services to the Historical Commission; re: 82-84 Pleasant Street; dated March 21, 2013.

Exhibit B: Letter from Stephen Madaus to Timothy McCann; dated March 6, 2013.

- 3. Communication Received** – Letter from MHC to Peter Kleiner, Schwartz/Silver Architects Inc. re: Walker Hall and the Megaron Renovations, Worcester Academy, 81 Providence Street, Worcester, MA; MHC #RC.53730; dated March 7, 2013, received March 11, 2013.

The Commission had no comment on the item.

Exhibit A: Electronic communication from Peter Kleiner, Schwartz/Silver Architects, Inc to Abigail McCabe; subject; Worcester Academy, Walker Hall & Megaron renovations and attachments.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Upon a motion Chair McCann and seconded by Commissioner Constantine, the Commission voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m.