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Decisions

Typically, the Board signs decisions at its next regularly scheduled meeting and files its decision the next day. In the case of *Demolition Delay Waiver*, a copy of the decision will be available at the Board's Office. In the case of *Certificate of Appropriateness*, once the twenty day appeal period has expired, the applicant must obtain a certified copy of the decision from the City Clerk.

Our Mission

Planning & Regulatory Services

To provide credible, timely, and accessible data and analysis for decision-making and problem solving for land and programmatic development.

Division Staff

Stephen S. Rolle, Assistant Chief Development Officer
Michelle Smith, Chief Planner
Stefanie Covino, Conservation Planner
Susan Arena, Preservation Planner
Deborah Steele, Principal Staff Assistant

Upcoming Meetings

January 31, 2019
February 14, 2019
February 28, 2019
March 14, 2019
March 28, 2019
April 11, 2019
April 25, 2019
May 9, 2019

City of Worcester Historical Commission Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 10, 2019

Worcester City Hall
Levi Lincoln Chamber, Room 309, 455 Main Street, 5:30 p.m.

CALL COMMISSION TO ORDER – 5:30 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 8, 2018

OLD BUSINESS

1. 116 Mower Street – HC-2018-080 (MBL 40-014-00001)

Petition: Building Demolition Delay Waiver
Petitioner: Josh and Poppy Gray
Present Use: Single-family residence
Year Built: c1810
Historic Status: MACRIS listed, National Register listed, and a National Historic Landmark, fka Liberty Farm

Petition Purpose:
• Replace windows

BDDW Constructive Grant Deadline: ~~12/8/18~~ January 14, 2019

NEW BUSINESS

2. 84 William Street – HC-2019-001 (MBL 02-047-45+83)

Petition: Building Demolition Delay Waiver
Petitioner: Becker College
Present Use: Single-family residence/Office
Year Built: c1906
Historic Status: MACRIS listed, and National Register listed, fka the Louis W. Southgate House

Petition Purpose:
• Remove portions of front porch to allow for handicapped accessible ramp

BDDW Constructive Grant Deadline: January 12, 2019

3. 31 Elizabeth Street – HC-2019-002 (MBL 01-028-00205)

Petition: Building Demolition Delay Waiver
Petitioner: Debra Cottis
Present Use: Condominium
Year Built: c1893
Historic Status: MACRIS listed, and National Register listed, fka Elizabeth Street Schoolhouse

Petition Purpose:
• Replace windows

BDDW Constructive Grant Deadline: January 20, 2019

4. 24 Franklin (aka 28-38) Street – HC-2019-003 (MBL 03-013-00029)

Petition: Building Demolition Delay Waiver
Petitioner: Bay State Savings Bank
Present Use: Commercial Building
Year Built: c1926
Historic Status: MACRIS listed, and National Register listed, fka Worcester Chamber of Commerce Building

Petition Purpose:

- Remove recessed vestibules; install new storefront entries

BDDW Constructive Grant Deadline: February 3, 2019

COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Communication from MHC re: Notification of Section 106 filing for 86 Austin Street – dated December 3, 2018 and received December 7, 2018.
- b. *Request for updated Letter of Support from Epsilon Associates re: Tax credit application for Ransom F. Taylor Block, 526 Main Street – received electronically December 13, 2018.
- c. Communication from MHC re: Notification of Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund grants, Round 25.
- d. Communication from MHC re: Notification of 41st Annual Preservation Awards.
- e. *Communication from TAT re: ADA variance application for the Worcester County Courthouse, 2 Main Street, received electronically December 19, 2018.
- f. *Request for updated Letters of Support from MHA Northeast re: Tax credit applications for:
 - 98 Beacon Street
 - Quinsigamond Firehouse, 15 Blackstone River Road
 - Worcester Boys’ Club, 2 Ionic Ave.
 - Elwood Adams Hardware Store, 156 Main Street– received electronically December 20, 2018.
- g. Communication from VHB re: Section 106 review of Kelley Square improvements, dated December 17, 2018 and received December 20, 2018.
- h. *Request for new Letter of Support from VHB re: Tax credit application for 128 Chandler Street – received electronically December 28, 2018.
- i. *Request for updated Letters of Support from PAL re: Tax credit applications for:
 - Bancroft Hotel, 50 Franklin Street
 - Park Building, 507 Main Street
 - Worcester County Courthouse, 2 Main Street
 - Cheney-Ballard Building, 517 Main Street– received electronically January 2, 2018.

**Item requiring action*

OTHER BUSINESS

- I. Election of Officers
- II. Preservation Awards – January 16, 2019 at the Park View Room
- III. Building Demolition Delay Ordinance revisions

ADJOURNMENT