WORCESTER HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES - JUNE 16, 2005, 4:15 pm 418 Main St. (Conference Room)

Historical Commission members present: Michael Theerman Jeanice Sherman James Constantine Peter Schneider Tom Johnson Sally Jablonski Thomas Conroy

Staff Present: Edgar Luna, Division of Planning and Regulatory Services Atty. Karen Meyer, City of Worcester Law Department.

Regular Meeting:

- 1- Call to Order: Michael Theerman stepped down as chairman, and recused himself from the meeting. Commission member Jeanice Sherman recused herself from the meeting. Tom Johnson assumed the Chairmanship and called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.
- 2- Certificate of Appropriateness Hearing 230 Salisbury Street. Petitioner Tim Corrinet made a presentation. Irene Brown Grim, Jim Crowley and Leo McManus, residents of Montvale Historical District spoke in opposition. Roy Hegedus, resident of Montvale Historical District spoke in favor. James Constantine made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness and was seconded by Sally Jablonski. James Constantine, Sally Jablonski voted Yes, Tom Johnson and Peter Schneider voted No, Thomas Conroy Abstained. The vote did not carry, as it required 4 affirmative votes.
- 3- Request to change petition from Certificate of Appropriateness to Certificate of Hardship. Petitioner Tim Corrinet requested to be allowed to change his petition from Certificate of Appropriateness to a Certificate of Hardship. Montvale Historic District residents Jim Crowley, Irene Brown Grim and Leo McManus spoke in opposition to this request, stating that the petitioner had failed to provide specific

evidence to demonstrate hardship. James Constantine made a motion to approve the request and Sally Jablonski seconded the motion. James Constantine, Sally Jablonski and Thomas Conroy voted Yes, Peter Schneider and Tom Johnson voted No. The motion carried.

- 4- Certificate of Hardship 230 Salisbury Street. Petitioner Tim Corrinet described the cost differences between replacing the roof with slate versus asphalt material that look like slate, and stated that he and his partner Christopher McGovern could not afford the cost differences. Montvale Historic District Residents Jim Crowley, Irene Brown Grim, Peg Gifford and Leo McManus spoke in opposition. Montvale Historic District resident Roy Hegedus spoke in favor. Peter Schneider stated that the petitioners had failed to submit accurate cost estimates to demonstrate significant price differences to justify a reason for hardship, and encouraged them to submit additional information. He stated that based on the information provided, the price difference appeared to be five thousand dollars. Sally Jablonski stated that she did not need additional cost information. Tim Corrinet stated that they had already submitted appropriate cost estimates and requested a vote from the Commission. James Constantine made a motion to approve the Certificate of Hardship and Sally Jablonski seconded the motion. James Constantine and Sally Jablonski voted Yes, Thomas Conroy, Peter Schneider and Tom Johnson voted No. The motion did not carry.
- 5- Certificate of Non Applicability 230 Salisbury Street. Tom Johnson stated that the petitioners could request a Certificate on Non Applicability as an alternative to address the repairs needed on said residence. He indicated that such Certificate would allow the applicants the opportunity to make needed repairs throughout the house with like materials, as well as to repair broken or damaged slate on the roof of the house with slate, which does not involve a change in design, materials, color and/or the outward appearance of the residence. He further explained that this Certificate would require that all repairs must be of the same type and color as the existing materials in the house, including the slate on the roof. Tim Corrinet requested the Worcester Historical Commission to grant them a Certificate of Non Applicability. James Constantine made a motion to grant the applicants a Certificate of Non Applicability and Thomas Conroy seconded the motion. James Constantine, Thomas Conroy, Sally

Jablonski, Peter Schneider and Tom Johnson voted yes. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.