MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER

April 25, 2019

LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBER, ROOM 309 – CITY HALL

Commission Members Present: Randolph Bloom
Robyn Conroy
Diane Long
Tomi Stefani
Janet Theerman

Commission Members Absent: Devon Kurtz
Mark Wamback

Staff Members Present: Stephen Rolle, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services
Timothy Gilbert, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

Call Commission to Order

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Bloom at 5:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Review of the March 28 and April 11, 2019 minutes.

Minutes were held to the next meeting.

Old Business

1. 33 Beaver Street – HC-2019-010 (MBL 08-013-00011)

   Petition:    Building Demolition Delay Waiver
   Petitioner:  Restrepo Properties LLC
   Year Built:  c1916
   Historic Status:  MACRIS listed, and National Register listed, fka the Delilah Melican Three Decker

   Petition Purpose:
   - Replace siding and roof (retroactive)

Carlos Quinones, co-owner, appeared on behalf of the application.

Commissioners noted a couple of features they would like to see reinstalled, including the shallow brackets under the eaves and horizontal banding to delineate the different floors. Mr. Quinones stated that they would be open to making those changes and reconstructing the requested details.

No public comment.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Long and seconded by Commissioner Theerman, the Commission voted 5-0 to close the public hearing.
Upon a motion by Commissioner Conroy and seconded by Commissioner Theerman, the Commission voted 5-0 that the proposed work is not detrimental to the historical and architectural resources of the City and voted to approve, with conditions, a Building Demolition Delay Waiver for the following:

- Replace roof (retroactive)
- Install vinyl siding (retroactive), provided that the following items are added:
  - Decorative brackets under the eaves, mimicking the original
  - Three rows of horizontal banding to delineate the division of floors on the front façade.


Exhibit B: Request to continue form, dated March 28, 2019.

**New Business** - None

**Communications**

a. *Request for updated Letters of Support from VHB re: Tax credit application for:

- Indian Hill School, 155 Ararat Street
- Torrey Razor and Strop Company, 128 Chandler Street
  
  – received electronically April 9, 2019.

**Upon a motion by Commissioner Theerman and seconded by Commissioner Long, the Commission voted 5-0 to issue updated letters of support.**


**Upon a motion by Commissioner Theerman and seconded by Commissioner Long, the Commission voted 5-0 to issue an updated letter of support.**

**Other Business**

a. Building Demolition Delay Ordinance revisions

Mr. Rolle reviewed the proposed changes, stating that research and edits are ongoing. He shared a flow chart outlining the proposed two-step review process.

**Adjournment**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Theerman and seconded by Commissioner Long, the Commission voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm.