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To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission Ordinance under Chapter 112, Article III of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, you are hereby notified that a hearing is being held at Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd Floor at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday, February 5, 2020.**

APPROVED AS AMENDED MINUTES

Members Present: Cheryl Powell, Dave Dumont, Timothy Ferreira, Betsy Young, Dave Dumont and Cecelia Carey

Members Absent: Jack Kay

Staff Present: Karen Herrand, Principal Assistant, Paul Wackrow, Senior Planner, Planning & Development Dept.

An announcement was made by Cheryl Powell, Chair, stating the meeting is being recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, §20; and requested that anyone taping this meeting to please make their presence known. *Please silence your cell phones.*

Call to Order

Roll Call

Welcome to New Members, Special Guests, and Advisors

New Business

New England Maritime – 232 Main Street, Hyannis, Map 327 Parcel 160
New Business Sign

Cecelia Carey recuses herself from this application.

Chic Pollock in attendance.

Jim Hurley of New England Maritime in attendance.

Chic Pollock gives an update of location of New England Maritime school. Owner, Wayne Kurker and he made arrangement and they have moved in here at 232 Main St., Hyannis. Same sign that they have had used at their previous location.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any public comment - None.

Paul Wackrow confirms the material to be aluminum clarifies that it is a new sign. Phone numbers are discouraged on signs, but up to Commissioner's.

Jim Hurley replies that they are about 100 yards off the street, not right on the street. They did this on Ocean St. they could put up .com information instead?

Betsy Young asks for clarification re website and information for their business.

Dave Dumont doesn't have a problem.

David Colombo asks about the white border. He thinks it balances well, not too busy.

Betsy Young asks about the Carey Commercial signage on the building.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks also about the Carey Commercial sign.

Jim Hurley replies that he cannot answer for the owner, Mr. Kurker. It is temporary and there are rental spaces available still.

Chair Cheryl Powell directs to staff, regarding phone numbers approved in the past.

Paul Wackrow replies, some. Clarifies not completely prohibited, the guidelines do discourage though.

Betsy Young clarifies, likes the sign, but may not need the telephone number and stick to guidelines, people can find you via internet options easily.

Jim Hurley states that they are not in the building all the time, sometimes people are looking for them and it's good that they have a phone number for them to contact.

Kristine Clark, Town Council Liaison to HHDC in attendance. Introduces herself to Chair.

Gloria McPherson and Chair Cheryl Powell also would like to stick to the guidelines for not having the telephone number on the signage.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion on the Findings, David Dumont moves that the Commission find this application to be compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, seconded by Dave Colombo – as is, Betsy Young is opposed, Chair Cheryl Powell abstains.

3 in favor.

1 opposed.

1 abstains.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a revision for the Findings, moved by Chair that the Commission find this application to be compatible with the preservation and protection of the district with the amendment as is that the telephone number be removed, seconded by Dave Colombo, and to resize the lettering to fit better into the space where telephone number will be removed, all in favor, except Dave Dumont abstains. The motion passes.

4 in favor.

1 abstains.

Dave Dumont asks if applicant would like to redesign the sign?

Jim Hurley states they will increase the size of the lettering, to fit better/ take up space where phone number is.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for Certificate of Appropriateness/Decision, moved by Dave Colombo, as described with the omission of the phone number as per the Findings, seconded by Dave Dumont, so voted unanimously.

Cecelia Carey returns.

Jake Dewey – 17 & 0 High School Rd., Hyannis – Map 308 Parcel 259 & Map 308 Parcel 259-001 (Historic Name: JP Baxter House, Constructed 1905-1906)

Vinyl Siding and Sign

Jake Dewey in attendance. He gives explanation re the revision/request for vinyl siding to the original project that was approved - just for the new building. No change to the historic building, this is a maintenance/cost issue.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for public comment in positive.

Mark Hansen in attendance, ZBA member, but speaking as a citizen. The town needs affordable housing more than anything. How to lower cost in order to make this and any development ready for affordability so the cost will not have to be passed onto the tenant. PVC, technically vinyl, hard to distinguish from wood.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any public comment in the negative – none.

Betsy Young asks for a sample, Exhibit A, sample passed around. Why is vinyl siding not allowed – past reasons.

Paul Wackrow replies that it is the consistency of character for the district, haven't seen a lot of vinyl siding, some pre date. There are perceptions that can change.

Jake Dewey states that vinyl is consistent and wood that's painted would require maintenance.

Discussion re vinyl material vs. wood and vinyl trim.

Paul Wackrow clarifies that there is a sign as well in this application.

Jake Dewey reiterates affordability in the downtown area and cost.

Dave Dumont states that he has built a lot of housing/Hyannis. He understands cost and suggests possibilities with saving money on interior costs. He understands the balance needed. Vinyl is 100% against this district.

Chair Cheryl Powell agrees with Dave Dumont's comments. Guidelines.

Dave Colombo states that vinyl siding is something not really approvable.

Cecelia Carey went through the guidelines regarding vinyl and that we can consider alternate materials for new construction and this is new construction – this project. Alternative siding also for new construction.

Dave Colombo and Dave Dumont think once approved everyone will want this.

Chair Cheryl Powell directs to Staff – refers to the application – sign application part.

Gloria McPherson states that cedar shingles are less expensive than clapboard, but a cost savings, you can seal and let it weather. In general vinyl siding is not appropriate in the district. Distinction may come into play for Hyannis if certain materials used only in Hyannis. Maybe do a better vinyl than this one submitted.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for the Findings, moved by Betsy Young that this application is not be compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, seconded by Dave Dumont, so voted by all except Cecelia Carey, she's a no. The motion passes.

5 yes vote to deny.

1 no vote to deny.

Jake Dewey asks for clarification regarding no vinyl siding at all. All 4 sides considered.

Gloria McPherson states that the Commission can only act on what's presented in this application.

Discussion re possibilities of coming to the Commission - other suggestion/materials.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for Certificate of Appropriateness/Decision, moved by David Colombo to deny for the property located at 17 & 0 High School Road, seconded by Betsy Young, so voted by all to deny, except Cecelia Carey no vote. The motion passes.

5 yes vote to deny.

1 no vote to deny.

Next part of application is for sign:

Jake Dewey gives an explanation of the proposed signage. Commercial space now used for both. Two business names and the phone number would be temporary, only used when vacancy. Bottom panel would be changed as needed. PVC sign, with posts and caps/covers.

Dave Dumont clarifies PVC and panel locations. The phone number would be hanging signage so it would be temporary. Clarifies post caps.

Jake Dewey states in front of the building, along the street. Exhibit B, site plan, points out where sign will be.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any public comment in positive or negative - None.

Paul Wackrow comments that phone number sign may be considered by the Commissioners.

Betsy Young asks for clarification of how many signs, two?

Jake Dewey replies, just one sign.

Dave Dumont comments that he likes the sign, no problem with phone number, material fine. Posts wrapped with caps/Azek material.

Cecelia Carey comments that she's ok with phone number on the sign, prefers font on right side of submitted application picture, Exhibit C.

Dave Colombo likes this font also, recommends colonial caps.

Gloria McPherson likes the layout of the right side picture as well, curve and font size.

Betsy Young clarifies that the apartment available and phone number will be temporary, which fonts will be used?

Jake Dewey replies yes, temporary on hooks.

Dave Colombo asks if there will be lighting?

Jake Dewey, there is electricity available for currently. No preference either way to use lighting or not.

Chair Cheryl Powell clarifies hooks will be there for the temporary Apartment Available sign, with phone number.

Jake Dewey - yes.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for the Findings, moved by Dave Dumont to find this application to be compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, for the property located at 17 and 0 High School Rd. with the specification to use the font on the right side of the submitted picture/diagram with colonial caps and apartment available sign to be removable, seconded by Betsy Young, so voted unanimously.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion on the Certificate of Appropriateness, moved by David Dumont to issue Certificate of Appropriateness for 17 and 0 High School Rd., as described in the submitted materials with the same conditions as the Findings, seconded by Cecelia Carey, so voted unanimously.

Continued Business

Asim Jamal – 606 Main Street, Hyannis, Map 308 Parcel 066

New Business Signage – *continued from December 18, 2019 and January 15, 2020*

Kim Kiley of Cape Cod Sign Co. in attendance, Exhibit D – picture of proposed signage. The sign would be hung on the existing post, two iron straps to keep from moving. 1 inch thick PVC material.

No public here for any public comment.

Paul Wackrow states that the application had come about 2 months ago, we have not seen any material yet. There were no dimensions.

Gloria McPherson asks if there was a sign there before/none present. Maybe make sign a bit smaller, cut some off the bottom?

Kim Kiley states that the "Thumbelina" sign next to it is same size.

Dave Dumont asks for clarification about lettering, vinyl lettering and paint the board black. Put in solid black and then put letters on it and shrink it up a bit.

Kim Kiley replies yes or could have solid black PVC.

Gloria McPherson suggests a different style, little bit of arc on the top and shorten it.

Dave Colombo asks about/ clarifies graphics, smoke, no, maybe a gold border around the sign.

Gloria McPherson suggests paint the edge gold, just edge, not border.

Kim Kiley thinks border may look better.

Discussion re border or edge.

Asim Jamal clarifies the redesign of the sign per the Commissioner's comments.

Gloria McPherson states 6 inches to be cut from the bottom.

Kim Kiley clarifies the size - 36 x 42 with 6 inches to be cut down.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for the Findings, moved by Dave Colombo to find this application to be compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, with 6 inches cut off the bottom and arc on the top to make the crown design shrink and the sides painted gold going into edges and wrap around. 1" to create a border around the whole sign, seconded by Betsy Young, so voted unanimously

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for Certificate of Appropriateness/Decision, moved by Dave Dumont for application at 606 Main Street, with changes that are described in the Findings, seconded by Tim Ferreira, so voted unanimously.

Other Business

Approval of December 18, 2019, and January 15, 2020 Minutes

December 18, 2019, Draft Minutes - Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to approve, moved by Betsy Young, seconded by David Colombo, so voted unanimously.

January 15, 2020, Draft Minutes – Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to table, waiting for clarification from other department, moved by Betsy Young, seconded by David Colombo, so voted unanimously.

Light Permitting Update

Paul Wackrow gives a brief update re the Bldg. Commissioner's review of and work in progress.

Betsy Young recuses herself as a Commissioner.

Betsy Young (as an Applicant) explains that she was approached by Enforcement by the Bldg. Dept. She explains that on South Street she had a sign approved, but when she moved she didn't think she needed a permit since the sign was approved previously. She has submitted an application for 342 Main Street sign that has been up for 10 years. She was away for a while that's why she hasn't addressed this sooner. She is also applying for a hardship sign/A Frame sign. She has submitted a letter to Bldg. Dept. and HHDC Chair.

Chair Cheryl Powell clarifies that she has gotten this letter from Betsy Young.

Chair Cheryl Powell clarifies public comment. It is not a requirement to have a public comment section. She has checked with the Attorney General on this issue.

Also, Town Council President Hebert at Jan. 22, 2020 Town Council meeting. - She quotes him saying —All citizens of this town are all in this together – we shouldn't be against one another. We try to work with applicant's and make things work. Some comments get to a point where they are not productive. Have to be civil to one another. That's why we are here and are all volunteers.

Dave Colombo comments that sometimes he may disagree with an applicant/application, but always puts himself in their shoes and what's best for everybody.

Housekeeping

Chair Cheryl Powell informs all Commission members that they have received a thank you card from the Crocker family: Read into record – Thank You card passed around and read into record. Exhibit E.

"Dear friends of the Hyannis main Street and Waterfront District, thank you so very much for your thoughtful and generous gift. We appreciate your comfort and support during this difficult time. Our sincere thanks, Gail, Chrissy, and Carly"

Correspondence Received

Reminder of Commission's Purpose and Proper Procedure

Next HHDC meeting scheduled for February 19, 2020, and March 4, 2020

Commission Training

Sarah Korjeff of the Cape Cod Commission could not make this training. Looking for another date.

Paul Wackrow – update – Sarah can come back at a later date. March 4 or 18th, which will be better.

Dave Colombo no March 18th

Dave Dumont is away March 17 until 31st.

March 4th seems to be ok with the Commissioner's.

Paul Wackrow will check with Sarah Korjeff.

Adjournment

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to adjourn, moved by Dave Dumont, seconded by Betsy young, so voted unanimously.

The meeting ended at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Karen A. Herrand

List of Exhibit Documents

- Exhibit A** – Vinyl sample – 17 & 0 High School Rd., Hy – Map/Par 308/259 & 259-001
- Exhibit B** – Site plan – 17 & 0 High School Rd., Hy – Map/Par 308/259 & 259-001
- Exhibit C** – Picture of proposed sign - 17 & 0 High School Rd., Hy – Map/Par 308/259 & 259-001
- Exhibit D** - Picture of proposed sign – 606 Main St., Hy – Map/Par 308/066
- Exhibit E** – Thank you card from Crocker family