

Town of Edgartown

~Historic District Commission~

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Zoom Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 18, 2021



In accordance with Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020, this meeting was held through remote conference technology (Zoom) only.

Members in attendance: Susan Catling, Cari Williamson, James Cisek (A), Ken Magnuson, Julia Tarka & Peter Rosbeck. Absent: Christopher Scott & Carole Berger.
Staff: Doug Finn – Host & Bricque Garber –Admin.

Ms. Catling called the meeting to order at 4:00 and read the Public Hearing notice for 33 N. Summer St.

Public Hearing: 33 N. Summer St. (20D-347.11) Charles Weiss. Patrick Ahearn/agent. Applicant proposes to remove existing screen porch, construct new one car garage-carriage house with screened breezeway and renovation of existing structure with new Nantucket dormers. Mr. Ahearn presented his plans for renovation of the Christine Pease House which dates from 1845. The building is currently 7 condo units with additions added over the years to this mixed-use building. The current owner proposes to keep 2 of the units commercial, subject to leases and combine the other 5 units as single family use addition a one car garage with a bedroom above.

Mr. Ahearn discussed the elevations and site plans as were viewed by the members on the screen. The new front door will be where the photo shop door was. Windows will be changed to restore original window designs. This is a Greek Revival restoration with a modified bay window and Nantucket dormers added. The sliders and single light windows in the rear will be replaced. The doors and shutters will be painted deep blue.

Members Questions: James Cisek asked about the shed vs. gable dormers on the left or Winter St. side, noting that the configuration might be better if more symmetrical. He further noted this is a good “clean-up” of this property. Ken asked about the small attic window addition. Patrick noted that it is not there now but he suspects there was a window there originally either a round or square window. Cari noted that the changes are positive and classic improvements but questioned the screened breezeway, noting that mullioned glass panels may be more appropriate. Mr. Ahearn agreed that he can use a combination of glass storm windows with mullions over screens. Susan asked about the Taco shop unit that will remain open per the 5 year lease, and noted that the HDC has, in the past, been concerned about the facades. Patrick said that the odd deck will be squared off and there will be proper skirting and change to the screen porch where there is currently rough lattice. Susan noted the project will present a huge improvement to the building. Peter asked about the color of shutters and doors as the plans indicate Essex green. PA noted this as an error on the drawings as they will be deep blue.

The Public Hearing was opened and as there were no members of the public present or letters presented, the Public Hearing was closed.

There was further conversation regarding the gable vs. shed dormer configuration with Mr. Ahearn offering a gable-shed-shed-gable-shed-shed-gable configuration.

Julia Tarka made the motion to approve with a gable-shed-shed-gable-shed-shed-gable dormer configuration, paint color for doors and shutters to be deep blue, mullioned storm windows on screened porch, no trees to be removed & the Taco Shop front façade will benefit from a squared deck and proper skirting. 2nd Ken Magnuson. Unanimously approved.

Public Hearing: 19 Pierce Lane (20B-43) Thomas MacCowatt. Brooks & Falotico/agent. Applicant proposes to add 2 dormers add shutters and remodel front entry including reframing the roof, adding 2 chimney caps and replace a 2nd story window. Ms. Catling read the Public Hearing notice. Louise Brooks presented the plans for the 2002 house The plan is to soften the look by eliminating the 2 door entry, removing the flat panels between the windows, reducing the size of the columns, adding larger window above front door. There is no change to the sq. footage. Q: Are the upper windows just windows not French doors. A: Yes. The Public Hearing was opened and closed as there were no attendees or letters presented. The members noted the improvement planned and liked the addition of shutters to create a more classic look. Motion to approve, Julia Tarka. 2nd Peter Rosbeck. Unanimously approved.

4:40 – 19 Church St. (20D-116.1) 19 Raw. IFP Realty/John Roberts. Joe Montero/agent. Applicant proposes to add a free standing tent over patio from April through mid May AND October 1st through November 1st, to accommodate outdoor dining in the cooler months. Joe Montiero presented the plan for the tent to allow for outdoor dining in the shoulder season. There were no questions or objections. Motion to approve Peter Rosbeck. 2nd Ken Magnuson. Approved for mid-April thru mid-May & Oct 1-Nov 1, 2021.

4:50 – 24 S. Summer St. (20D-131) Myron Mintz. Vineyard Cedar Works/agent. Applicant proposes to reconstruct and relocate current fence approximately 12 feet back toward the house. Mr. Mintz appeared and discussed the fence to be relocated, in its current style, configuration & materials, back approx. 12 ft. from its current location to allow for better parking. Motion to approve Ken Magnuson. 2nd Cari Williamson. Unanimously approved.

5:00 – 90 School St. (29A-4.2) Katherine Welch. Gene Erez/agent. Applicant proposes to replace 3 front dormer windows, replace slider in guest house with 2 windows-6x6, replace slider on porch with 2 windows matching living room windows, re-roof using same color asphalt shingles. Mr. Erez was not present at the meeting but the members chose to proceed with the application for additional changes to a previously approved project. It was noted, by Mr. Rosbeck, that the project had grown as more interior & exterior rot was found. The current application contained no changes to the facades other than windows and siding as previously approved or currently existing. Motion to approve, Julia Tarka. 2nd Ken Magnuson. Unanimously approved.

Old/New Business:

Julia Celeste asked a question regarding a MV Commission decision. It was noted that the MV Commission had discussed that they had been given no opinion from the Historic District Commission regarding the Hob Knob application. Bricque explained that she had received a couple of calls from the MV Commission regarding the application but the HDC had not reviewed the application, as it had been withdrawn prior to any hearings. It was noted by some members that it is curious for the MV Commission to discuss an HDC opinion given the HDC had not heard the application. Bricque said she will review the decision and contact the MV Commission for clarity if they are in anyway basing a decision on the lack of HDC opinion.

Minutes: 2.4.21:

Motion to approve Susan Catling. 2nd Cari Williamson. Approved.

Respectfully submitted:

Bricque Garber
Assistant

Approved: _____ 3.4.21
As Voted