



**Landmark Preservation Board**

**Thursday, May 7, 2020**

**Meeting Minutes**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Don Radke called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Tom Cantwell, Cynthia Carter, Bob Haley, Dan Leary, Julia Marshall, Don Radke, Jeff Romano, Lisa Tonzi

Staff: Kate Auwaerter

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

J. Romano made a motion to approve the minutes of April 16, 2020, which was seconded by C. Carter. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**OLD BUSINESS**

CA-20-08 1204 James Street. Basim AlQuraishi (applicant) was present for the meeting. The board reviewed the revised site plan for the rear driveway, parking area and screen planting. K. Auwaerter noted that the width of the combined driveway and parking area had been decreased from 35' to 30' with room for 6 parking spaces. She also noted that the applicant proposed Norway spruce and Emerald Green arborvitae for the screen plantings. The board discussed the revised site plan and was positive about the reduction of the asphalt area. D. Leary recommended against Norway spruce as a screen planting because it grows very tall and drops its lower limbs. J. Romano suggested hemlock or False cypress as alternatives. In regard to the proposed stairs, the applicant confirmed that the stairs will be constructed on a 6"-8" concrete slab. The board discussed the need for an adequate landing at the base of the steps in order to create a buffer from the driveway/parking area. D. Leary made motion to accept the application with the revised site plan with the condition that there be at least 36" between the first riser of the rear steps and the asphalt parking area. L. Tonzi seconded the motion. In discussion, B. Haley recommended to the applicant that as per ADA code in order to avoid tripping hazards that the stone treads not extend over the brick risers. The board also recommended use of alternative screen plantings, specifically hemlock or False cypress. The motion was approved unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Certificates of Appropriateness*

CA-20-09 119 Wendell Terrace. Rahul Dudhani (the applicant) presented an application to install in the rear yard of the house a 14'x 27', in-ground pool with a 3' concrete apron with a broom finish. He also noted that a portion of the existing metal picket fence near the garage will be replaced in order to meet code. The new section of fence will be the same design, style and color as the existing fence. D. Leary made a motion to accept the application as submitted, which was seconded by B. Haley. The motion was approved unanimously.

*Zoning Referrals*

Sign Waiver (AS-20-02) 362-64 S. Salina Street. The board acknowledged that it had already approved a Certificate of Appropriateness for the new marquee at the Landmark Theatre and that it was in favor of the proposed signage as proposed. However, the board recommended that once the marquee is installed, guidelines

governing light intensity levels be established so that the light levels do not conflict with or detract from the surrounding historic district.

### **DISCUSSION**

Proposed LPS application: 205 E. Seneca Turnpike (John Gridley House). K. Auwaerter reported that she was working on a Protected Site application with the owners of 205 E. Seneca Turnpike. She will have a draft prepared for board review at the May 21, 2020 meeting.

LPS-20-01 910 Madison Street (Temple Concord): update. K. Auwaerter reported that Common Council had held the Protected Site application for Temple Concord. Council members were seeking to modify the board's recommendation that that the entire temple complex be recognized as contributing to the designation. Instead, Council intends to limit the contributing features of the designation to the sanctuary building only. K. Auwaerter noted that she believed Common Council would vote on the designation at its May 11, 2020 meeting.

National Register Nominations: General Ice Cream Corporation Factory (112-120 Wilkinon Street) and Sylvester Apartment Building (900-906 E. Fayette Street). The board discussed both nominations individually and agreed to recommend to the State Historic Preservation Office that both be added to the State and National Registers of Historic Places.

### **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 AM.