

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER**

August 26, 2019

WORCESTER CITY HALL – LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBERS

Conservation Commission Members Present: Devin Canton, Acting Chair
Amanda Amory
Azal Khaled

Conservation Commission Members Absent: Christian Escobar
Joseph Charpentier

Staff Present: Stefanie Covino, Division of Planning & Regulatory Services

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Requests for Continuances, Postponements, Withdrawals

- Item #1:** Notice of Intent: 0 Meadowbrook Road (CC-2019-013; DEP # 349-1242)
Item #2: Notice of Intent: 20 Pine Hill Road (CC-2019-014; DEP#349-1238)
Item #3: Notice of Intent: 0 Whisper Drive (CC-2019-039)
Item #7: Notice of Intent: Salisbury Hill FKA 727 Salisbury Street (CC-2019-035/DEP#349-XXXX)
Item #8: Notice of Intent: 757 Salisbury Street (CC-2019-045)
Item #9: Notice of Intent: 140 Mill Street and 30 Coes Street (AKA Coes Reservoir Dam) (CC-2019-046 (DEP#349-XXXX))
Item #11a: Informal Presentation: Whipporwill Drive/Malden Woods
Item #11b: Discussion of Order of Conditions: Lots 1-4 Whisper Drive (FKA 661 Salisbury Street) (CC-2019-038)
Item #12a: Request for Extension of Time: 125 Olean St (AKA Soheili Circle) (CC-2004-034/CC-2016-062)
Item #13a: Project change request: Country Club Acres (CC-2019-010; DEP# 349-1239)

Upon a motion by Commissioner Amory and seconded by Commissioner Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to continue Item 1 until 10/7/19, continue Items 2, 3, 11a, 12a, and 13a until 9/16/19, postpone items 7, 8, and 9, and withdraw item 11b.

Approval of Minutes: None

Public Hearings

New Business – Requests for Determination of Applicability

- Item 4.** 414R Massasoit Road (AKA Broad Meadow Brook Wildlife Sanctuary) (MBL 45-032-02+03)
File #: CC-2019-044
Applicant: Aidan Wells
Project: To build a footpath bridge over an intermittent stream
Jurisdiction: MA Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance
Action: Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to close the public hearing and issue a negative Determination of Applicability.

Item 5. 37 Pleasant Valley Drive (AKA Lincoln Village) (MBL 39-029-001-1)
File #: CC-2019-048
Applicant: Carabetta Management Company
Project: To install a curtain near units 145-147 for approximately 50 linear feet and related site work
Jurisdiction: MA Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance
Action: Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to close the public hearing and issue a negative Determination of Applicability.

Item 6. Harding Street Right-of-Way (from the Intersection of Arwick Avenue North to Lamartine Street)
File #: CC-2019-049
Applicant: City of Worcester Department of Public Works and Parks
Project: To resurface sidewalks and streets and conduct associated site work
Jurisdiction: MA Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance
Action: Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to close the public hearing and issue a negative Determination of Applicability.

New Business – Notices of Intent

Item 10. 72 Flagg Street (MBL 25-024-00001)
File #: CC-2019-047 (DEP#349-1252)
Applicant: University of Massachusetts Medical School
Project: To demolish an existing structure, grade, construct a parking area with retaining walls, and relevant site work
Jurisdiction: MA Wetlands Protection Act and the City of Worcester Wetlands Protection Ordinance
Action: Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to close the public hearing. Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to issue an order of conditions.

Other Business

Item 12. Request for Extension of Time
b. 72 Upland Street (CC-2018-064;CC-2015-024;EO-CC-2018-005)
Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to approve a one year extension of time.

Item 14. Requests for Certificates of Compliance
a. 8 Devonshire Street (CC-1997-098)
Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to issue a partial Certificate of Compliance.

15. Enforcement Order and Violation Updates
a. 100 Goldthwaite Road (AKA White Birch Commons (FKA Burncoat Gardens)) (CC-2013-057; DEP #349-1075; CC-EO-2017-001)
Staff provided an update that the applicant has provided correspondence that the roadway grades are relatively final and require minimal earthwork and that the applicant's Professional Wetland Scientist has advised that the road be paved as an erosion control measure. The Commission agreed that this was the appropriate step forward.

b. Arboretum Village (CC-EO-2016-002; CC-2009-042; DEP #349-979)

The applicant's representative requested that the Commission allow the development of lots 67-68 Honeysuckle Lane and provided information from a geotechnical engineer that Slope B has been and will continue to be stabilized. Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to amend the enforcement order to allow work that has been approved by the Planning Board on lots 67-68 Honeysuckle Lane.

c. Country Club Acres (AKA Garrison Avenue & 190 Mountain Street East; Cobblestone Lane (FKA Paradise Point)) (CC-2007-025; DEP #349-931; CC-EO-2017-009; UAO-CE-18-6W001)

No update

d. 20 Quinsigamond Avenue (CC-EO-2018-004)

No update

e. 72 Upland Street (CC-EO-2018-005)

Due to the site's progress moving ahead and a lack of sediment runoff on site, including plans for stabilization and the extension of time under the existing order of conditions, upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to lift the enforcement order.

f. 128 Alvarado Ave (CC-2008-045 / CC-2017-017)

No update

g. Burncoat Heights (CC-2017-043; CC-EO-2019-001)

Staff noted that the site remains under a stop work order until additional information is received, including an as-built of the back slope behind units 7-8 and a sequencing and stabilization plan from a P.E. that details how the site should be modified.

16. Communication – no comments

a. Notification of Right-of-Way Re-treatment, received from National Grid, 8/12/19

b. Sediment Evaluation Report at South High, received from EcoTec, 8/12/19

c. Notification of Green Worcester Survey, received from Green Worcester Working Group consultant Larissa Brown, 8/15/19

17. Discussion of Commission Regulations, Processes & Procedures

18. Discussion of Special Conditions and Issuance of Orders of Conditions

19. Signing of Decisions

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Commission Amory and seconded by Commission Khaled, the Commission voted 3-0 to adjourn at 6:38pm.