

**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 A: Building Demolition Delay Waiver Application dated February 3, 2019 and received February 19, 2019.

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

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### **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.*

- b. \*Request for updated Letter of Support from MHA Northeast re: Tax credit application for Worcester YWCA, 6-10 Chatham Street – received electronically April 12, 2019.

*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.