

COMMISSION OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

February 24, 2022

Members Present

Robin Crews
Sonja Ingram
Robert Stowe
Kathryn Waters
Robert Weir

Members Absent

Susan Stilwell
Jackson Weller

Staff

Doug Plachcinski
Lisa Jones
Ryan Dodson

Mr. Ryan Dodson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. to conduct Officer Elections.

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

Mr. Dodson called for nominations for Chairman.

Mr. Weir nominated Ms. Crews for Chairman. The nominations were approved by a 4-0 vote.

Mr. Dodson called for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Ms. Crews nominated Mr. Weir for Vice-Chairman. The nominations were approved by a 4-0 vote.

Mr. Dodson called for nominations for Secretary.

Mr. Weir nominated Ms. Waters for Secretary. The nominations were approved by a 4-0 vote.

ITEMS FOR PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Certificate of Appropriateness Request PZ22-20, to install a 42" front porch railing to meet building codes at 820 Green Street (Parcel ID#22409)*

Present to speak on behalf of this request was Mahesh Srinivasaiah, owner of 820 Green Street. Mr. Srinivasaiah stated the concern that I have is the railing height for the upstairs porch is low and I just want to increase it to the proper height because it is a safety hazard. I was initially just thinking of replacing the entire railing and that's what I have in here, but after talking with a couple of people I think I will just modify the existing railing and increase the height. That is what I was thinking at this point.

Mr. Plachcinski stated I would like to offer to we have researched the National Park Services instructions on increasing railing heights and if the commission is comfortable then I would be happy to work with Mr. Mahesh to come up with a design that meets the

suggestion from the Parks Services on how to keep the integrity of the current banister while raising it to meet the building code height. Does that sound fair?

Mr. Weir stated yes.

Ms. Crews opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Lawrence Meder of 407 Chestnut Street, stated I spoke with Mr. Mahesh and my recommendation was that the spindles are about 1 by 3, and they exist about 2 feet. My recommendation to him is that these be lengthened to the height that he needs to be at today's code. It would keep the integrity of it and if he uses a spruce which is a harder wood than pine and it is kiln dried you won't have twisting. If it is primed and painted on all four sides, it will last longer and it will look just like that, but it will be another foot higher.

Mrs. Crews closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Weir stated so I gather that the pickets are different from what you presently have. Is that a correct statement?

Mr. Mahesh stated what I proposed I think that I am basically not going with that proposal. I think after talking with the neighbors I feel that increasing the height would be the best thing at this point.

Ms. Crews stated you are currently going with what Doug was suggesting right?

Mr. Mahesh stated yes.

Mr. Weir made a motion to approve this request that it meets the guidelines as submitted. Mr. Stowe seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote.

Mr. Plachcinski stated Mr. Mahesh could we scheduled a time to meet you, the contractor, and myself on the site and we will go over how to do it.

Mr. Mahesh stated yes.

Mr. Plachcinski stated great.

- b. Certificate of Appropriateness Request PZ22-31, to remodel an existing building including front porch reconstruction, demolish rear of structure, install new wood windows, and build rear wrap around porch at 820 Pine Street (Parcel ID#23604).*

Present to speak on behalf of this request was Renee Burton, who stated I am representing the City of Danville and the Housing Authority. The plan is on 820 Pine

Street I have listed out everything on the exterior of this project. This will be a complete remodel interior and exterior with hope of bringing it back to owner occupancy. If you want me to go through one by one I can. I know you have a list in front of you.

Ms. Crews stated they do not so do we need to for the public's interest?

Mr. Lawrence Meder stated yes.

Mr. Dodson stated it is optional but if you are fine with-it Madame Chair, then it is perfectly appropriate to go through with it.

Mr. Plachcinski stated it is up to the commission.

Ms. Crews stated if you will please.

Ms. Ingram arrived at 3:40 pm to the meeting.

Ms. Burton stated sure. What we are looking at on 820, we would demolish the front porch. It has been determined through the Sanborn maps and research you can tell that there was a smaller front porch on this property originally. It was a really nice veil tackled to the front that is covered by this enormous existing porch so we are going to remove that and create a smaller front porch that will limit that. The materials, we will salvage as much as possible. I think because the existing porch is much larger than what we are proposing that we will have enough material that we will use the existing brick, ceiling, and floor at this point. The roof we will have existing metal and we will continue that. A lot will need to be replaced in the valleys especially where we have a lot of water infiltration. We need a lot of work on the roof. The siding on this one, we believe that there is wood siding underneath that will be, fingers crossed, useable and be able to scrap and paint on this. We are going to do some experimental work and see but that will need approval also if we discover that the lap siding is in good condition, and we will expose that. The windows, we got five additional windows that will be added and that is three in the rear and two in the right elevation on this project. We are proposing with the new windows 400 Anderson series which is a wood clad window for this. The existing windows, it is our intent that we will repair them if it is such that they can not be repaired they will be replaced with this same product or equivalent to that as the new windows. The demolition, there are horrible rear additions to this property. They are in really bad shape. What we would do is simply demolish those back to what we believe to be the original footprint of this property. In the rear we would construct an 8' covered rear porch and we would keep this in some what the style of the front porch to kind of mimic that style. The rear porch will receive a standing seam metal roof to match the main house. The elevation drawings are in your package, and they will show each side and the new the floor plan as well.

Ms. Crews opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Lawrence Meder, of 401 Chestnut Street stated, I appreciate the work that the city is doing on all the restoration of all the different buildings within the historic district and helping friends of the Old Westend. I think that this project is needed. I have walked around this house many times and I urge the board to approve it.

Ms. Burton stated I kind of predicted that. The timeline for Holbrook Avenue has really been off the rail. The project hit covid in the middle of it, we have had health concerns for our contractors, health concerns with the contractor's parents, deaths in the families, and almost one thing that you can name has probably been in there. We are still working, and they were there this week and I keep pressing them to hopefully get this done by Spring. I can't promise that but that is my intention this particular project I would like to have out for bid and under contract in March and we would be under such three to four months at that point to really getting work. The situation that we would have that we plan on doing 820 and 844 which is your next application. We will do those simultaneously. So, you will see everything being done together. I hope everything will be done in a six-month time frame.

Mr. Paul Liepe of Main Street stated I would like to point out to you that there is a difference between the application and the bid package. There are several of them in fact. The application says that wood windows will be used and if you look at the bid package specification Anderson 400 windows are vinyl clad windows, and they are not wood windows. We have this conflict that somehow needs to be resolved. If you look at the bid package it also calls for completion trim be made of PVC, I believe, which to my knowledge has never been allowed by the CAR and the original materials are supposed to be used and wood is certainly still available. I don't know how to resolve this issue whether approving the application nullifies the bid package, but somehow, we have to define that vinyl windows are not appropriate in the Old West End Historic District.

Ms. Crews stated I would like for staff to respond to one of those issues.

Mr. Plachcinski stated the bid packet would not nullify the applicant's materials submitted. If the exterior of the windows is going to be wood, which I did hear, if we could clarify that?

Ms. Burton stated the exterior is clad and the interior is wood from what I understand and for what I have looked up or unless I have looked at something different from you. The intent is they will be wood clad windows.

Mr. Plachcinski stated but the outside is vinyl?

Ms. Burton stated it is aluminum clad. That was my intent and if I have pulled the wrong number or we looked at something different I can certainly be on record to say it will be aluminum clad and it doesn't have to state 400 Anderson Series.

Mr. Plachcinski stated you are proposing that because of maintenance?

Ms. Burton stated yes and the reason we are doing that is because of maintenance.

Mr. Plachcinski stated the original windows that are still in the home are they all wood?

Ms. Burton stated right, we would keep those. These are the new windows that we proposed for the additional renovations for new construction in the kitchen and the master bath areas. We are proposing new windows installation and we proposed those to be clad and it is simply for maintenance. I don't know that it would be visible from street necessary, you may see it from behind on Jefferson and maybe in that area you would see it. The windows will be painted any way and the side windows will be somewhat similar look.

Mr. Doug Plachcinski stated but none of these replacement windows are on the front elevation of the house?

Ms. Burton stated no.

Mr. Doug Plachcinski stated how about the PVC trim?

Ms. Burton stated yes, we did propose to use a substitute material on trim work and that could potentially be on the front. It depends on what we find when we pull that porch off.

Mr. Plachcinski stated okay.

Mr. Cody Foster, owner of 835 Pine Street I am concerned about some of the subtexts within the proposal itself mainly the PVC trim and the composite columns that are going to be replaced, replacing the hardwood door columns, and again the windows are a concern also. I know the majority of us in the neighborhood have been held to the highest standard of replacing like materials with like and for this to be approved would be kind of a slap in the face to all of us that have spent thousand and thousand of dollars to restore the original windows with their house. The same with the porch I love the work that you are doing on it, but I think if it is done in the right way it would be better.

Mr. Meder stated I guess I didn't read the big packet as well as I should have. I don't agree with replacing porch columns or porch railings, spindles with deposit or new stuff. I agree with either creating it out of wood that was used from twenty years ago or fixing what is there. If you come and see the Brown house on Chestnut Street, we have repaired the columns. Now we had to take off six inches and add new pieces of wood

together onto it and forced it in. It takes a lot more time and money, but it retains the historic nature of the porch. On the railings two of them have been replaced within the last thirty or forty years with looks like a Lowe's product. Now we are creating the railing out of heart pine from 1890. It is doable to do it but we also creating some of the spindles that were rotted away out of historic lumber too. I understand that you have limited money with the city.

Ms. Crews closed the Public Hearing.

Ms. Crews stated we will redirect our attention to 820 Pine Street.

Ms. Ingram stated I have a few for Renee. The existing metal roof will be replaced with an in-kind material. Is that standing seam?

Ms. Burton stated yes, it will be the same product that we put on 814 and 816 Pine Street; the duplex at the end of the street that was approved by CAR three or four years ago.

Ms. Ingram stated to remove existing siding in hopes to restore and paint siding, but you don't know what the siding underneath looks like is that right?

Ms. Burton stated we can see a profile underneath an area of the porch, but we have not taken a full strip off to know if it isn't decent shape or not. We have not exposed the wood siding underneath that, as to the exterior underneath that I don't know until we get into some more investigation. We didn't want to take a lot off without coming before the commission.

Ms. Ingram stated if it is found to be in too bad of shape, are you going to leave the existing siding that is asbestos right? Can you do that?

Ms. Burton stated we do have an asbestos report already completed and we do have the ability to hire our asbestos contractor for removal and for investigation, but they have not been hired as of yet. That would be my plan for the contractor that we have on hand to remove this properly. If it can't be replaced, then we would look at what is needed to be done. We would do something in the back for investigation for sure.

Ms. Ingram stated would you come back to CAR at that point once you determine what it looks like?

Ms. Burton stated if we could not use the siding then yes, we would come back.

Ms. Ingram stated it says the demolition of the rear addition. That seems fine to me because it looks really bad back there. The front porch you said it is into poor condition that section that has to be removed and rebuilt is that correct?

Ms. Burton stated we are going to reduce it. The Sanborn map shows a smaller porch for this property and looking at the house we believe the right side was an addition at one point and then we believe the left side actually received a second story addition. When you look at what we can see underneath that porch and look at the foundation work it had a smaller porch. Almost, it looks like it may have been a twin of the two cottages across the street. It was extremely much smaller than what we have now, and we think it was raised an extra story and then that addition was put on the side. So, keeping that square footage though but we are just reducing that porch back not necessary as the original but pretty close to the original to expose that left hand side which has a really nice bay that you can't see now that is currently covered up by that porch.

Ms. Ingram stated so is it in poor condition? Is that why you are removing it or just to return it to an earlier time?

Ms. Burton stated we are trying to return it to an earlier time. It does have issues, no doubt, but the full intent would be to try to recover this after removing the addition and getting that smaller front footprint back to somewhat original.

Ms. Ingram stated I think it looks nice the way it is. Have you determined when that was done?

Ms. Burton stated there is a Sanborn that has been done it is with my application.

Ms. Ingram stated this just sounds like extra work, why would you do it if it is not in worse shape.

Ms. Burton stated I think for us, we thought that it would be a nice look for it. It is in the elevations, and I didn't know if you received that too. There is a sample or documentation of it being a smaller porch.

Ms. Ingram stated I feel like it is kind of extra work to do all of that. I'm not sure if it is in poor condition, I can see it, but if it looks really incapable, then yes. That is just my opinion. Then as far as the windows I agree with the public on that, I think you should use all wood windows even on that rear addition and as well use all wood for the trim work or columns. You can get salvage materials if you can't reuse the ones that are there.

Ms. Burton stated I understand that, and I have been working in this area for a long time. We also have kind of discussed with the architect because we wanted to reduce the maintenance of it and still keep a historic look. We read through the preservation brief sixteen which is by the National Parks Service which actually talks about the use of substitute materials, so we try to be as authentic as we could and where it would be

placed so that it would not stand out. We also know that maintenance certainly at this time and economics the way that it is, we know that could be an issue. We didn't want to sell that and then five years later look at whoever had it has additional problems. So that is kind of what we are trying to look at this further to reduce maintenance as well.

Ms. Ingram stated are you afraid that the wood would fail?

Ms. Burton stated right, using new wood because it is so fast growing now instead of using the old. Yes, it is pretty common now you know what the peeling paint comes from and using the newer growth isn't as good.

Ms. Ingram stated a lot of the replacement wood windows are failing.

Mr. Weir stated for years we've been consistent on insisting on wood windows, even when you were sitting across the table here. We had to replace everything with like for like. I am concerned and I can appreciate what you are trying to do but it violates anything and every precedent that we have ever had. It concerns me and there are some good parts to your submittal but then I am concerned. I think that it needs to be adjusted to meet the standards of the Old West End and I just don't think that it meets it right now.

Ms. Burton stated I can understand that. I know that we have approved various substitute materials in the past, even my windows have been approved with my time on the other side. We did that on the corner house of Chestnut and Main. I don't remember any other particular ones that stand out or if there are any more. It is scattered throughout the district, and it is not necessarily something that has been done or approved every time. I understand what you are coming from but just from our view point it is something that we believe that we can do, and have it not damage, the historic integrity or distract from the rest of the property. That is our intent and to have it be maintenance free so it will last.

Ms. Ingram stated have you looked at salvage materials? There are so many salvageable wood windows that are out there.

Ms. Burton stated we have not looked, specifically because of the process that we had to go through to bid out a package. It is hard for us to put out a bid package and state that you are to I guess there is five on this one salvage windows. Then for a contractor to state okay I did 'xyz' and the amount for this particular product as a whole and then to find out we can't find a salvage windows or the salvage windows were three to four times higher than what they anticipated. It makes it a little difficult on our end to make sure that we get an accurate bid, and we don't typically do that for those reasons.

Mr. Weir stated of all the people that proposed work here Richard Morris knows more about what our requirements are than anybody.

Ms. Burton stated I talked to him intensely about the windows and I spoke to him again and they have had tax credit programs approved with those Anderson windows. We have properties on Bridge Street and Craghead Street right now that are aluminum clad windows that are a tax credit project. They are being approved by the National Parks Services. That is the reason why I left them in after finding out more details after that.

Ms. Waters stated we have seen historic tax credits with these Anderson windows recently and they are similar. The ones on the rear I am less concerned with because I am assuming there is not a house that looks directly out them. Is the one on the right side visible from the front pretty well or the rear and the right or clear right?

Ms. Burton stated rear right and the neighbor would be the most affected.

Ms. Waters stated the PVC is there a reason other than just durability that you wanting to do PVC trim or is something with the wet windows?

Ms. Burton stated no, probably looking at the same situation using the Azack or PVC or something like that composite material because of the wood and the state that it is right now, and with the fast growth like I said and maintenance, so we are looking at the same incidences.

Ms. Waters stated but on the front porch you are reusing the wood door columns that are currently there as much as possible?

Ms. Burton stated yes, we are using as much as possible.

Ms. Waters stated so the front porch will mostly be wood?

Ms. Burton stated it will mostly be *shocking* and composite column are on the next.

Ms. Stowe stated we will now ask for a vote.

Mr. Stowe stated do you want to take these up in separate requests or are we taking them as a whole?

Mr. Ryan Dodson, Assistant City Attorney stated it is your choice.

Mr. Plachcinski stated or whoever makes the motion is choice.

Ms. Crews stated we will break them apart or do they limit themselves a particular way to be grouped?

Ms. Ingram stated Renee would you rather piecemeal this and come back to the board with a different application.

Ms. Burton stated I am fine with piecemeal, but I really wanted to get this project started to be honest with you. So, the more that I can get going, there is a process of getting this out to the public takes weeks then you go to get a bid. You are looking at a month or more. If something needs to be adjusted, I can adjust it before it goes out for bid.

Ms. Ingram made a motion to separate out these items and that we approve replacing the roof with an in-kind standing seam, demolition of the rear additions, removal of the siding after it is determined what has happened with instructions to come back to the board, and the rear porch except for the windows request that it meets the guidelines as submitted. Mr. Stowe seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

Ms. Crews stated we need to address the items that are not numbered on here, two, three, and five. Now, do we wish to take those individually?

Ms. Ingram made a motion that we table the others at this point and allow the applicant to come back to staff and takes the boards comments into consideration when making adjustments. Mr. Weir seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

- c. Certificate of Appropriateness Request PZ22-32, to remodel an existing building including front porch reconstruction, demolish rear of structure, install new wood windows, and build a two (2) car garage at 844 Pine Street (Parcel ID#20668).*

Ms. Renee Burton stated I am going to request that we table this one entirely so that adjustments may be made. There is no sense in going through all of this. It is like the first one and has similar items. You will be going through with the same arguments over and over again.

- d. Certificate of Appropriateness Request PZ-33, to construct a retaining wall and decorative fence for a shared auto court at 912 and 918 Green Street (Parcel ID's 21176 & 20701).*

Present to speak on behalf of this request was Fred Meder, of 119 Green Street. Mr. Meder stated first I would like to say Ms. Crews thank you so much for being prepared at the City Council meeting and defending your decision.

Ms. Crews stated thank you.

Mr. Meder stated I have a drawing that I can pass around. Let me just address the previous issue. In 2004, I put in several wooden doors. In 2022, I have got to cut the

wood out at the bottom because it is all rotted and replace that with something. It is my opinion that aluminum clad windows are in-like material.

Mr. Plachcinski stated let's keep it to the application that we have in front of us please.

Mr. Meder stated okay. This was a drawing that was presented in 1999 or 2000 for the courtyard and we built a fence. If you could scroll up and show them what the fence looks like today. This is what the fence will look like on the 912 and 918 side when it is completed. It will have stucco and brick columns with some kind of fencing and ornamentation on top like liriopse or impatiens's. We are right now parking five cars in this space. We filled this space in and we would just like to clean it up where the stump debris is that we are driving on. We came back and built a 10 by 20 deck there so they can walk right off the parking area and the deck is 3 foot off the ground. The retaining wall is going to be 3-feet high and then there is going to be 3-foot-high columns with 3-foot height fence. Now if we need to go higher because of code we can do that. We are trying to keep it down to 3-foot, so it is unintrusive. By putting the greenery on the top, it makes it blend in with everything. The fact that we are doing off street parking is a win for the street so we can have more space for more people. One of the things that were killing ourselves win is success because now we have cars everywhere. Where before you could park anywhere, and now you have to plan your parking. If there are any questions, I can address them.

Ms. Crews opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Lawrence Meder of 401 Chestnut stated I just want to say that I approve of this project for several reasons I think my brother just touched on. There are so many cars now in the Old West End and it is really hard to park not only for the residents but also for the contractors that are showing up. By pulling five cars off the streets and putting them up is a win win. I just want to ask my brother how many times in the last twenty years have your cars been vandalized on the street or were hit by a car going by.

Mr. Fred Meder stated a pregnant lady hit one of my trucks in front of my house and my wife thought we were going to get sued.

Ms. Crews closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Weir started made a motion and Ms. Ingram stated I have a question.

Ms. Ingram stated I am just a little confused. You want to build a fence and a retaining wall is that correct?

Mr. Meder stated yes, the retaining wall will not be seen but the fence will be seen.

Ms. Ingram stated and the fence?

Mr. Meder stated the retaining wall is holding up the parking lot in place.

Ms. Ingram stated okay, the design of the fence?

Mr. Meder stated right there exactly like what we have. I'm not that smart to invent things.

Ms. Ingram stated okay, go Bob I am sorry.

Mr. Weir made a motion to approve this request that it meets the guidelines as submitted. Mr. Stowe seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

e. Certificate of Appropriateness Request PZ-34, to construct eaves on the rear addition at 918 Green Street (Parcel ID 20701).

Present to speak on behalf of this request was Frederick Meder, owner of 918 Green Street. Mr. Meder stated me and my wife, Laura have been living at this address since 1997. Where the ladder is in the picture that is what we are talking about. There is no overhang or soffit on that section. That was a sleeping porch. It was built incorrectly, and it has been leaking for the last twenty some odd years on me. Every time that I think that I have it fixed it leaks again. In fact, how I know it is a sleeping porch, the floor has a preserve slope to it. When you look at the addition you see the soffit and the moldings and all that. That's how it will carry that because that is exactly on the upper sections of the house that are more difficult to see. It will be built exactly the same as what we are looking at.

Ms. Crews stated out of similar materials?

Mr. Meder stated yes and add additional to the standard seam roof and what not. I'm not inventing anything okay. The soffits are 14 inches wide and that is how wide the soffits will be when we are completed. We will take the measurement as built and as we are doing it. The next picture is my kitchen ceiling and today it is dripping. It has been doing that for years and I think I have it fixed, and I go up there. I have taken the siding off my house, and I have put in butyl on the entire side, and I have caulked everything, and rebuilt the windows, sealed everything, fixed the roof, sealed the roof, and I fixed my plaster, and now I have this mess. Every time that we have a thunderstorm that comes from the ocean or the west each side leaks and I have been unable to fix it. I have worn out my options. Everything that I have read says that without a soffit the water runs right down the side of the house and in my case, it runs right inside of my house.

Ms. Crews opened the Public Hearing.

Ms. Crews closed the Public Hearing.

Ms. Ingram stated have you looked at when you put the eaves on is it going to make the height, will you be able to see that façade?

Mr. Meder stated see it from where?

Ms. Ingram stated from the front.

Mr. Meder stated no and there is no possible way that you can see any of that.

Ms. Ingram stated I was just concerned that it was going to look higher than the front. Looking at the picture you can see the gable and the gable is about 8 to 10 feet higher in that section. In this section it is sloped away from the house as well. I don't see us being able to see that. Besides I am going to be carrying the theme of the paint colors and the molding all the way around.

Mr. Stowe made a motion to approve this request that it meets the guidelines as submitted. Ms. Waters seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

- f. Certificate of Appropriateness Request PZ-35, to remodel an existing building including replacing an asphalt shingle roof with a standing seam metal roof, remove a rear cellar entrance, remove patios, and install gutters, replace driveway access at 407 Chestnut Street (Parcel ID 22825).*

Present to speak on behalf of this request was Lawrence Meder, owner of 407 Chestnut Street. Mr. Meder stated the first one is replacing asphalt shingles on the main portion of the roof with standing seam metal roof. There are four roof lines on this house and three of them have standing seams. The main one doesn't it is just asphalt. Those asphalt shingles, I probably lose one every windstorm. The porch roof is standing steam and there are two more roofs to the right of that which are, and I don't have pictures of the other roof because it is higher than I can photograph. It would be the same roof and same color instead of asphalt. It is what the house originally had, and somebody changed it to garbage. The next picture as you can see, they apparently just cut the concrete in the back and was going to make an entrance in the back of the house. It is about 5 by 6 inches tall and it's not even up to code to be a doorway. I would like to seal it in with block and right now I have plywood in the way, so no one comes in the house and that enters the cross space of the property. Eventually I will probably have to remove the entire length of that and replace it because you can see it cracking because they did it incorrectly. These two sections of patio basically from the corner of the house back to the air conditioners. Those were built in the 1960's to allowed entrance into the house right by that window that use to be a door when they turned the house into a duplex. What is happening now, the water is hitting this concrete and it is going against the bricks and the moisture is being absorbed into the plaster on the other side and the

wall is crumbling. I just have a master of plaster over the last couple of days and he has now fixed that wall in hopes that we can get this patio demo out so that the moisture will stop doing what it is doing. The picture of the driveway where there is a car in the driveway, I would like to get permission to do a driveway so we can use the driveway. Another one was gutters for the whole house and I am going to point these out and I was already given permission by the CAR to do gutters on this house and there is evidence of the clay drainpipes. You can see it right there in the picture on the left that little hole in the curbing that is where the original gutters use to drain into the street, and I also had gutters on the floor at the back of the house that got crushed by workers. The house did have gutters at one time. I was also given permission by the CAR to do this driveway cut but that came back to where I was mentioning, and I don't know if it is on my sheet, but I requested the permits issued or the permissions issued by the CAR are only good for a year and the gentlemen here said that they are good for a year not six months did I understand that right?

Mr. Plachcinski stated they are good for a year if you need an extension beyond that all you need to do is come back to the CAR. If there is a building permit involved, then the CAR COA is indefinitely as long as you pull a building permit for the driveway if you get your permit from Engineering to put in the driveway then the length of time after that doesn't matter.

Mr. Meder stated so if I understand right the CAR, if they approve the driveway cut and then I go to Engineering for a permit and then I go to inspections for something else.

Mr. Plachcinski stated for any other building permit. What the CAR approves is not a permit it is a Certificate of Appropriateness. So, if a permit is pulled from the appropriate city division, then the length of time it takes what it takes.

Mr. Meder stated unfortunately when I was doing my deck, I went through three permits with the CAR and when I came the last time it was like eight months in from when you approved it and I was told it was only good for six months.

Mr. Plachcinski stated I truly apologize, and I read you directly from the code.

Mr. Meder stated it is good that it is twelve months because the contractors are backed up.

Ms. Crews opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Fred Meder stated you can see from the two other additional roofs in the very back there that it looks like the first one was a porch, and he added another porch. You can see those sections and those are the metal sections on this house.

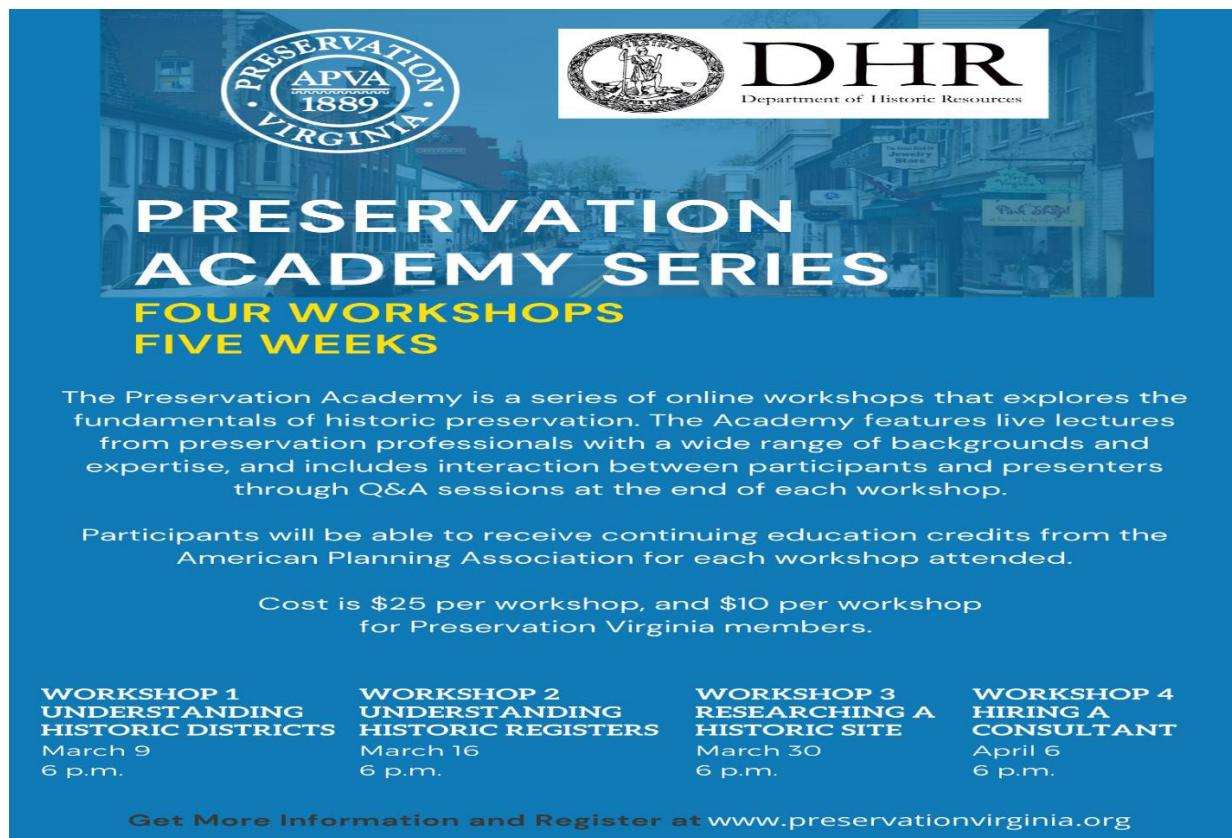
Ms. Crews closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Weir made a motion to approve this request of items 1 thru 5 that it meets the guidelines as submitted and good for one year and seeing that item 6 is not in our purview. Mr. Stowe seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 5-0 vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Plachcinski stated there is one thing that I will mention and then I will set the table for Ms. Ingram. At the next meeting we will put forth some draft's bylaws for CAR. This is something that we are doing for all our boards and commissions to just help with the transparency and an understanding of how the meeting operates so we can if there is ever a question lean back into it. Ms. Ingram you had mentioned there was some programming coming up from Preservation Virginia and just want to put out and Ms. Ingram can describe it if there is an interest from the body in participating, we will try to see what the city can do to facilitate that.

Ms. Ingram went over the Preservation Academy Series Workshops below.

A blue poster for the Preservation Academy Series. At the top left is the APVA logo (Preservation Virginia, 1889). At the top right is the DHR logo (Department of Historic Resources). The main title is 'PRESERVATION ACADEMY SERIES' in large white letters, with 'FOUR WORKSHOPS FIVE WEEKS' in yellow below it. The text describes the series as online workshops exploring historic preservation fundamentals, featuring live lectures and Q&A sessions. It mentions that participants can receive continuing education credits from the American Planning Association. The cost is \$25 per workshop, or \$10 for members. A table at the bottom lists four workshops: 1. Understanding Historic Districts (March 9, 6 p.m.), 2. Understanding Historic Registers (March 16, 6 p.m.), 3. Researching a Historic Site (March 30, 6 p.m.), and 4. Hiring a Consultant (April 6, 6 p.m.). At the bottom, it says 'Get More Information and Register at www.preservationvirginia.org'.

APPROVAL OF THE MINTUES

Mr. Weir made a motion to approve the October 28, 2021, minutes. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

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