



City of Medford

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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City Hall – Room 308
85 George P. Hassett Drive
Medford, Massachusetts 02155

September 9, 2019 Medford Historical Commission Hearing Minutes

Medford City Hall – Room 201 - Meeting called to order at 7:04pm.

Members present: Ryan Hayward, Doug Carr, Jennifer Keenan, Ben Johnson, Edward Wiest, Peter Miller. Absent: Abigail Salerno

Site Plan Review: Lawrence Memorial Hospital. General discussion about degree of changes. Appears to be largely a new exterior skin. Historic plaques will need to be relocated. D. Carr to revise letter for MHC's concerns about any changes to the building now that we have an actual proposal for changes.

Candidate Questions on Historic Preservation & other historical topics:

- Encouraging mix of large and small-scale development?
- Medford Votes to be given list of questions.
- What is your position on densification of Medford?
- If anyone has any additional ideas, please circulate to Abby.

Fall Committee MHC event attendance:

- Mystic River Celebration – Saturday 9/21
- Tufts Community Day – Sunday 9/22

96-102 Winchester Street:

Proponent: Gerald Nardone, 160 Olympia Ave, Woburn, 01801.

Motion: to Approve Application for Demolition, **Approved**, 5-0.

Motion: to order Form B's for each site, **Approved, 5-0.**

Motion to order Form B for 23 South Street, **Approved**, 5-0.

New Business:

Forest Street Historic District Proposal – good progress. Separating Medford Square from Forest Street. 60+ buildings from end of Forest Street to Valley Street. **Motion** to spend \$5k of MHC Budget to kick-start the Survey process along Forest Street. **Approved, 5-0.**

The Medford Historic District Commission approved moving forward on a single-district at 16 Foster Court. Owner put property (building only) for sale for \$1.

- MHC to review Memorandum of Understanding language with lifting the Demo Delay that any changes to design must be approved.

Old Business:

541 Winthrop Street – ZBA Meeting on this project is Wednesday, 9/11. D. Carr to attend and will read letter into record.

Site Plan Review – 40B at 4000 Mystic Valley Parkway. No action necessary.

Demo Delay Update

- **109 Forest Street** – 1 month of 18 to date.
- **421 High Street** – will return on October with requested design changes. R. Hayward asked for an elevation showing existing building and proposed in context. Will keep stained glass and incorporate into new design. Salvage of pieces inside.
- **7 Lauriat Place** – Proponent asked for examples of documentation.
- **67 Magoun Ave** – still standing, under demo delay.
- **104 Winchester Street** – See demo package for 96-102 Winchester Street.

Joseph Morris Wells Grave – letter sent by MHC.

Update on CPA Projects – Oak Grove Cemetery (Tree replacement bids due next week) & Thomas Brooks Park (Kick-off meeting with goals – Wed. Nov. 20th tentative public meeting date).

Minutes – August 2019 minutes reviewed. **Motion** to accept Minutes. **Approved**, 5-0.

Stoneham – 120' Monopole proposed near intersection of Route 93 and 28 in the Middlesex Fells; D. Carr wrote draft letter objecting to project.

Motion to adjourn at 8:25pm. **Approved**, 5-0. Notes by D. Carr.

Next meeting: Monday, Sept. 16th, 7pm

Next monthly meeting: Monday, October 21st, 2019, **7:00pm**, Medford City Hall, Room 201.