



City of Medford

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

March 9, 2020 Medford Historical Commission Hearing Minutes

Medford City Hall, Room 201 - Meeting called to order at 7:12pm.

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

4000 Mystic Valley Parkway - 40B project-Gold's gym and furniture place next to GE building. D. Carr to attend meeting and report back at April meeting. Board will decide then if any comments need to add.

590 Boston Ave - (Titan car wash) D. Carr to start draft of letter with comments related to Boston Ave. project.

595 Broadway - D. Carr to find project documents, scan, and add to Google Drive.

Oak Grove Cemetery - J. Keenan received email from Stacie Clayton inquiring if house and office building at Oak Grove are historic. Motion: To allocate up to \$2000 for a cemetery Form A and Form B for each of the two houses. **Approved:** 5-0

Osgood House - Unitarian Universalist church received funding for window restoration. Put to subcommittee for review, comments, and oversight. R. Hayward to ask P. Miller to be on subcommittee. Investigate with CPC deed restrictions on future projects. R. Hayward to research language precedent for nearby towns and draft letter.

38 Bradlee Road - J. Keenan sent relator form letter. Property listed as developer friendly. Currently a rooming house. Chopped up inside. **Motion:** To allocate \$2000 for Form B for 32, 38, 44, and 66 Bradlee. **Approved:** 5-0

Old Business:

Demo delay updates: No updates

CPA projects: Oak Grove Cemetery. A. Falkerno met with arborist. Walked the area to assess where new trees will go. 6-8 empty spaces. 6-8 trunks. Those replaced fairly soon, although some of the trees will be in different locations. Arborist had strong feelings about

replacing sugar maples in kind. Increasing biodiversity is a good thing. Potential sugar maple issue with a large number of sugar maples. Sugar maples planted in the fall. A. Falkerno to reassess location of tree species.

Thomas Brooks' Park - R. Hayward and J. Keenan are meeting with landscape architect to share initial concepts. Scheduled a public meeting for March 31 at W. Medford Community Center. Flyers produced by J. Keenan. Neighborhood volunteers to door drop flyers at neighbor's houses. One additional potential meeting.

Survey projects - R. Hayward received material related to Medford Square South project. R. Hayward will upload the Form Bs and Form A to the Google Drive.

Local Historic District updates - R. Hayward will provide Forest Street LHD in a couple of weeks. Commissioners will be able to provide edits. Foster Court report has been to MHC. Report completed.

Staff support position update - Denis McDougall to support MHC 16 hours a month filing agendas, formatting minutes and agendas, check the mail, city calendar updates, point of contact at City Hall, response letters, CPA payments, copies, will hand out demo packet.

Minutes: Motion to approve, **Approved:** 5-0

Motion: to adjourn at 8:10PM. **Approved:** 5-0. Notes by B. Johnson

Next Meeting: Monday April 13, 7:00PM, Medford City Hall, Room 201