

# Westport Historic District Commission

Town Hall

Westport, Conn. 06880

## WESTPORT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION APPROVED ACTION MINUTES

In attendance:
Randy Henkels, Chair
Ed Gerber, Vice-Chair
Bob Weingarten, Clerk (arrived late – 7:15pm)
Grayson Braun, Member
Marilyn Harding, Member
Cheryl Bliss, Alternate Member

The Westport Historic District Commission held a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday April 9, 2019,** in Town Hall Room 201/201A for the following purposes:

#### I. PUBLIC HEARING

### 1. For the proposed establishment of 15 Hyatt Lane as a Local Historic Property:

The property located in the Town of Westport, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, as shown in the study report for the proposed Local Historic Property designation for 15 Hyatt Lane, Westport, Connecticut, prepared by Heritage Resources, dated December 2018.

The purpose of the public hearing is to review a request to designate 15 Hyatt Lane a Local Historic Property and to accept the study report reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Council and the Westport Planning and Zoning Commission.

The notice will be published in *the Westport News* twice, first on Friday, March 29, 2019 and second on Friday, April 5, 2019. A copy of the study report, the proposed ordinance, a map showing the boundaries of the real property to be included in the proposed historic property, and recommendations and comments from the State Historic Preservation Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission can be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office or the Historic District Commission Office.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding, Cheryl Bliss

Motion to accept the study report and transmit to the RTM.

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

### 2. For the proposed establishment of 39 Cross Highway as a Local Historic Property:

The property located in the Town of Westport, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, as shown in the study report for the proposed Local Historic Property designation for 39 Cross Highway, Westport, Connecticut, prepared by Heritage Resources and the Historic District Commission, dated January 2019.

The purpose of the public hearing is to review a request to designate 39 Cross Highway a Local Historic Property and to accept the study report reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Council and the Westport Planning and Zoning Commission.

The notice will be published in *the Westport News* twice, first on Friday, March 29, 2019 and second on Friday, April 5, 2019. A copy of the study report, the proposed ordinance, a map showing the boundaries of the real property to be included in the proposed historic property, and recommendations and comments from the State Historic Preservation Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission can be viewed in the Town Clerk's Office or the Historic District Commission Office.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding, Cheryl Bliss

Motion to accept the study report and transmit to the RTM.

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

3. To hear the Chair's report and update on current HDC activities.

4. To approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 public hearing.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 hearing.

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

5. To take such action as the meeting may determine to broaden the scope of the HDC study subcommittee formed on October 9, 2018, which was formed to consider a proposed Canal Street National Register Historic District and/or a Canal Street Local Historic District, to include consideration of the proposed Lee's Canal National Register District and the proposed Richmondville Avenue State Historic District.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion made to include Marilyn on the subcommittee

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

Motion to broaden the scope of the HDC subcommittee to include the proposed Lee's Canal National Register District and the proposed Richmondville Avenue State Historic District

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

6. \*\*To review and act on a *Certificate of Appropriateness* application dated January 9, 2019 for the proposed installation of a grave monument at **6 Violet Lane** located in the Violet Lane Local Historic District.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding Motion to approve the proposed installation of a grave monument at 6 Violet Lane located in the Violet Lane Local Historic District

VOTED: Approved. (Yes - Henkels, Gerber, Harding; No -Weingarten; Abstained - Braun)

7. To review and act on a *Certificate of Appropriateness* application dated April 9, 2019 for the proposed installation of a walk gate at **39 Kings Highway North** located in the Kings Highway Local Historic District.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding Motion made to approve the proposed installation of a walk gate at 39 Kings Highway North located in the Kings Highway Local Historic District

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

8. To review and comment on proposed signage and exterior retractable awnings for The Meatball Shop, located at 2 Post Road West in National Hall Historic Design District. Comments offered at the meeting will be considered in anticipation of further zoning review and approvals.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding Motion to comment to PNZ with the following: the awning is reasonable, the blade sign is reasonable, the painting is not reasonable, is an inappropriate application to the building and is too prominent.

**VOTED:** Unanimously agreed

9. To review and comment on Planning and Zoning Transmittals for the proposed Site Plan, Landscape Plan and Building Plans for **20 & 26 Morningside Drive South** located in the 20 & 26 Morningside Drive South Local Historic District.

After hearing public comment, Chair Randy Henkels proposed resolutions to be transmitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding, Cheryl Bliss. Bob Weingarten recused himself.

Motion to approve the resolutions proposed by the Chair, which are attached to these minutes, and transmit to Planning and Zoning

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved.

10. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **35 Danbury Avenue** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously approved

11. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **1 Quentin Road** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously denied

12. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **11 Brookside Drive** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously denied

13. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **18 Surf Road** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously denied

14. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **1830 Post Road East** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously denied

15. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **20 Wood Hill Road** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously denied

16. To take such action as the meeting may determine to oppose the issuance of the demolition permit at **15 Brookside Drive** and require the full 180-day delay.

SEATED: Randy Henkels, Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Grayson Braun, Marilyn Harding

Motion to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit

**VOTED:** Unanimously denied

#### \*\*II. WORK SESSION

(The following items will be discussed and voted on as time permits. The Public may observe the work session, but not participate)

1. For the HDC study subcommittee to review and evaluate the proposed (a) Canal Street National Register District, (b) Canal Street Local Historic District, (c) Lee's Canal National Register District, and (d) Richmondville Avenue State Historic District.

**CANCELLED**, to be rescheduled at a time to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 9:52pm.

Francis H. Henkels, Chair Historic District Commission April 11, 2019