# APPROVED Minutes Westport Historic District Commission Public Hearing June 14, 2016

The Westport Historic District Commission held a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at Town Hall, Room 201.

PRESENT:

MEMBERS Chair Randy Henkels, Vice Chair Ed Gerber, Bob Weingarten, Janet Rubel

ALTERNATES Cheryl Bliss, Judi Freedman and Marilyn Harding

ABSENT:

MEMBERS Marc Lotti

**ALTERNATES** 

QUORUM: Four full members sitting. The alternates voted in rotation.

#### WORK SESSION

#### 1. TO HEAR A PRE-APPLICATION FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE MODIFICATIONS AT 90 POST ROAD EAST LOCATED IN THE JESUP ROAD HISTORIC DISTRICT.

Mr. Bill Achilles, project architect, was present to discuss options for the installation of an exterior exhaust fan for a restaurant tenant at 90 Post Road East.

It was decided that the members will conduct a site visit to review alternative concepts for the proposed construction of an exterior exhaust fan.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

- 2. TO HEAR THE CHAIR'S REPORT AND UPDATE ON CURRENT HDC ACTIVITIES. (Randy, please do this item).
- 3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 10, 2016 PUBLIC HEARING AND THE MAY 25, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING.

The approval of minutes for the May 10, 2016 public hearing and May 25, 2016 special meeting will be approved at the July 12, 2016 public hearing.

4. TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THE MEETING MAY DETERMINE TO REVIEW AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR PROPOSED SIGNAGE AT 12 WILTON ROAD LOCATED IN THE HISTORIC DESIGN DISTRICT (HDD).

Upon motion by Bob Weingarten and seconded by Ed Gerber and unanimously approved, it was:

RESOLVED: That a recommendation to the Planning and Zoning Commission for proposed signage at 12 Wilton Road is hereby APPROVED.

### 5. TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THE MEETING MAY DETERMINE TO RECOMMEND TO THE BUILDING OFFICIAL THAT THE BALANCE OF DELAY PERIOD FOR A DEMOLITION PERMIT AT 31 WESTFAIR DRIVE BE WAIVED.

The members reported that there was no Intent to Demolition sign posted on the structure.

Upon motion by Bob Weingarten and seconded by Janet Rubel and denied unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED: That a recommendation to the building official that the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit at 31 Westfair Drive is hereby DENIED due to the absence of required signage.

## 6. TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THE MEETING MAY DETERMINE TO RECOMMEND TO THE BUILDING OFFICIAL THAT THE BALANCE OF DELAY PERIOD FOR A DEMOLITION PERMIT AT 5 LOCUST LANE BE WAIVED.

The members reported that there was no Intent to Demolition sign posted on the structure.

Upon motion by Bob Weingarten and seconded by Janet Rubel and denied unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED: That a recommendation to the building official that the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit at 5 Locust Lane is hereby DENIED due to the absence of a required signage.

## 7. TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THE MEETING MAY DETERMINE TO RECOMMEND TO THE BUILDING OFFICIAL THAT THE BALANCE OF THE DELAY PERIOD FOR A DEMOLITION PERMIT AT 21 JUNIPER ROAD BE WAIVED.

There were no questions or comments from the members.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Upon motion by Bob Weingarten and seconded by Judi Freedman and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED: That a recommendation to the building official that the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit at 21 Juniper Road is hereby APPROVED.

## 8. TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF A CLG ENHANCEMENT GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE BRIDGE STREET NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION STUDY.

The members unanimously supported the submission of a grant application for a CLG Enhancement Grant application to the State Historic Preservation Office for the preparation of the Bridge Street National Register Nomination Study.

#### 9. TO DISCUSS NOMINATIONS FOR UPCOMING 2016 ANNUAL PRESERVATION AWARDS.

Postponed discussion of preservation awards until July meeting.
The meeting was adjourned.
Carol Leahy CLG coordinator/HDC Staff Administrator