

**ACTION SHEET**

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
1 JUNKINS AVENUE  
City Council Chambers**

**7:00 p.m.**

**December 4, 2002**

**TO:** John P. Bohenko, City Manager  
**FROM:** Joan M. Long, Planning Department  
**RE:** Actions taken by the Historic District Commission meeting held on December 4, 2002 in the Council Chambers, Municipal Complex, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, New Hampshire

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman, John Rice; Vice-Chairman, David Adams; Members, Ellen Fineberg; John Golumb; Joanne Grasso; Paige Roberts; Rick Becksted, and Alternate, Maija Hibbard

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Alternate, Richard Katz

**ALSO PRESENT:** Roger Clum, Assistant Building Inspector

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**I. OLD BUSINESS**

**A)** Voted to **accept** request to withdraw portion of application to replace copper gutters and downspouts with aluminum. Voted to **table** the petition to the next schedule meeting on January 8, 2003 for further options to be explored for 325 State Street, LLC, owner, for property located on Porter Street to provide access doors for fire sprinkler equipment and telephone service Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 117 as Lots 046 and 036-2 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts.

**B)** Voted to **grant** as presented the petition for Fleet Bank, owner, and Petersen Engineering, applicant, for property located at 3 Pleasant Street wherein permission is requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (replace 2 existing rooftop HVAC units with 2 new units). Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 107 as Lot 031 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts. This application was tabled at the November 6, 2002 meeting to the December 4, 2002 meeting. **The Commission specifically thanked the applicant for presenting a well thought out presentation.**

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**1)** Since there was no one present to speak to the application, the Commission **tabled** the petition requested by GZA Geo Environmental for property owned by The Salvation Army to the January 8, 2003 meeting for property located at 15 Middle Street to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (replace windows on building)

as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 126 as Lot 012 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts.

**2)** Voted to **approve** as advertised the petition for Louis Clarizio, owner, for property located at 880 Middle Street to allow an inground swimming pool as per plans on file in the Planning Department. The Commission found that after reviewing the Scope of Review under Article X of the Zoning Ordinance, there were no red flags to suggest that the application could not be granted. The Commission concluded that the pool cannot be seen from the street. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 152 as Lot 048 and lies within the General Residence A and Historic A districts.

**3)** Voted to **grant** as advertised the petition for Funi Burdick, owner, for property located at 151 South Street wherein permission is requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (replace vinyl windows on the front of the home with Pella wood true divided lite windows) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 110 as Lot 006 and lies within the General Residence B and Historic A districts.

**4)** Voted to **grant** as advertised and presented the petition for Lemoine Realty, LLC, owner, and Lisa DeStefano, applicant, for property located at 102 State Street to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (removal of existing asphalt shingle siding, wood rakeboard and base flashing at the gable end of the building and installation of cementitious clapboard siding, wood rakeboard and base flashing to match the remainder of the building) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 107 as Lot 052-1 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts.

**5)** Voted to **grant** as advertised the petition for Hart Mansion, LLC, and Millette, Sprague and Colwell, applicant, for property located at 403 – The Hill to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (placement of air conditioning mechanical equipment on ground at rear of the building; however, the Commission **accepted** the applicant's request to **withdraw** the portion of the application for replacement of existing large double hung window on rear of structure). Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 118 as Lot 026 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts.

**6)** Voted to **approve as presented the petition for Strawberry Banke, Inc. and Mark Moeller, applicant**, for property located at 68 State Street wherein permission is requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (storefront revisions) as per plans on file in the Planning Department with the **stipulation that the final color palette be approved by the Commission**. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 105 as Lot 013 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts.

### III. WORK SESSIONS

**A) Work Session requested by Lisa DeStefano for property owned by Black Swan Realty Trust**, located at 796 Middle Street. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 153 as Lot 008 and lies within the General Residence A and Historic A districts. (Add addition to the rear to allow for condominium units to be built within the structure and barn).

- A revised site plans was submitted;
- The parking will be located in the rear;
- Four units will be constructed and eight parking spaces provided;
- The direct abutter to the property is asking to relocate the barn to her property;
- The cupola will be painted with louvers;
- The existing siding will be removed and replaced with cementitious clapboards;
- The plans have been tweaked to the Commission's satisfaction and advised the applicant to apply for a public hearing at the January 2003 meeting.

**B) Work Session requested Paul Delisle, owner,** for property located at 6-17 The Hill (Hart Rice House). Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 118 as Lot 026 and lies within the Central Business B and Historic A districts. (Add dormer to the rear of building)

- Plan submitted showing a proposed gable being added to the rear elevation;
- No changes to front or the side elevations;
- The Commission members liked the proposed plan and advised the applicant to apply for a public hearing at the January 2003 meeting.

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the meeting of November 6, 2002 as amended and approved unanimously with a 7 – 0 vote.

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:30 p.m., the motion was made and seconded and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting to the next scheduled meeting on January 8, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Long  
Secretary

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