

**ACTION SHEET
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
1 JUNKINS AVENUE**

EILEEN DONDERO FOLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7:00 p.m.

**November 7, 2012
to be reconvened on November 14, 2012**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Richard Katz; Vice Chairman Joseph Almeida;
Members John Wyckoff, Tracy Kozak, George Melchior,
Planning Board Representative William Gladhill; Alternate Dan
Rawling

MEMBERS EXCUSED: City Council Representative Esther Kennedy

ALSO PRESENT: Nicholas Cracknell, Planning Consultant

I. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of minutes – July 11, 2012

It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

Approval of minutes – July 18, 2012

It was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Petition of **Hill Condominium Association, owner and One Rocks Road, LLC, applicant**, for property located at **400 The Hill, Deer Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (replace cedar roof shingles with asphalt roof shingles, install concealed fire escape ladder) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 118 as Lot 26-10 and lies within Central Business B, Historic, and Downtown Overlay Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be postponed to a work session/public hearing at the November 14, 2012 so that additional material could be submitted and reviewed.

2. Petition of **177 State Street Real Estate, LLC, owner**, for property located at **177 State Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (relocate fire escape ladder and railing) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 107 as Lot 44 and lies within Central Business B and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented.

3. Petition of **John and Joan Schorsch, owners**, for property located at **53 Pray Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow an amendment to a previously approved design (increase size of deck, replace Request to Postpone on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 102 as Lot 40 and lies within Waterfront Business and Historic Districts.

At the applicant's request, the Commission voted to postpone the application the November 14, 2012 meeting.

4. Petition of **Charles E. Locke Living Trust, Charles E. Locke, trustee and owner**, for property located at **220 New Castle Avenue**, wherein permission was requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (replace cedar shakes on barn with asphalt shingles) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 207 as Lot 44 and lies within Single Residence B and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented with the following stipulation:

1) That the shingle shall be a Landmark Weathered Wood shingle.

5. Petition of **8 Adams, LLC, owner**, for property located at **65 & 67 Mark Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow demolition of an existing structure (remove right side addition and rear decks) and allow new construction and exterior renovations to an existing structure (misc. changes to facades) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 116 as Lot 51 and lies within Mixed Residential Office and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented.

6. Petition of **8 Adams, LLC, owner**, for property located at **46 Mark Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow demolition of existing structures (demolish existing house and shed) and allow a new free standing structure (construct new single family home) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 116 as Lot 52 and lies within Mixed Residential Office and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented.

7. Petition of **Brina Lampert Revocable Trust, Brina Lampert, trustee and owner**, for property located at **212 Islington Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow new construction to an existing structure (install awning) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 137 as Lot 21 and lies within Central Business B and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented.

8. Petition of **State Street Crossings, LLC, owner, and Orange Door, Inc., applicant**, for property located at **218 State Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow a new free standing structure (install chiller and fence enclosure) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 107 as Lot 68-101 and lies within Central Business B, Historic, and Downtown Overlay Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented.

9. Petition of **Coventry Realty, LLC, owner**, for property located at **111 State Street** wherein permission was requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (install lighting on front façade) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 107 as Lot 50 and lies within Central Business B and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted to deny the request for the following reasons in accordance with Section 10.631.20 and Section 10.635.70 of the Zoning Ordinance:

- 1) The style of lighting was not in keeping with the historic nature of the structure.**
- 2) The style of lighting was not in keeping with the special and defining character of the surrounding properties.**
- 3) The exposed conduit was inappropriate on a front façade on State Street.**

10. Petition of **General Porter Condominium Association, owner**, for property located at **32 Livermore Street**, wherein permission was requested to allow demolition of an existing structure (remove fencing and rear stairway) and allow a new free standing structure (install new fencing) and allow new construction to an existing structure (install spiral staircase) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 109 as Lot 20 and lies within the General Residence B and Historic Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted to postpone the request to a work session/public hearing at the November 14, 2012 meeting so that additional material could be submitted and reviewed.

11. Petition of **Portsmouth Athenaeum, owner**, for property located at **9 Market Square**, wherein permission was requested to allow exterior renovations to an existing structure (install new windows) as per plans on file in the Planning Department. Said property is shown on Assessor Plan 117 as Lot 21 and lies within Central Business B, Historic, and Downtown Overlay Districts.

After due deliberation, the Commission voted that the request be approved as presented.

III. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:45 p.m., it was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Good
HDC Recording Secretary