TOWN OF WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Calhoun-Ives, Sunny Ridge and Washington Green Historic Districts

Minutes – November 15, 2021

Members Present: Ms. Averill, Mr. Hollinger, Ms. Woodroofe, Ms. Mills, Ms. Boyer

Alternates Present: Mr. Rimsky, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Ferreira

Others: Mr. Lavaway
Clerk: Mr. Buell

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and seated Mr. Hollinger, Ms. Averill, Ms. Woodroofe, Ms. Mills, and Mr. Rimsky (for Ms. Boyer.)

Consideration of Minutes

Mr. Hollinger stated that the first item on the agenda was the consideration of minutes for the October 26, 2021 meeting. He asked if any commissioners had any corrections or comments for these minutes. A motion was passed to accept these minutes.

Motion: To accept the minutes for the October 26, 2021 meeting as written by Ms.

Averill, seconded by Ms. Mills. Passed 5-0.

Frederick Gunn School Science Building

Mr. Hollinger stated that the proposed Science Building would be visible from route 47, and that because of this, the H.D.C. will need to review this project at a formal meeting. Mr. Hollinger requested that Mr. Buell provide the Frederick Gunn School with a letter stating that it is the opinion of the Historic District Commission that the school will need to apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of the proposed Science, Math, and Technology building.

Delay of Demolition

The Commission held a brief conversation regarding the procedure of having the proposed Delay of Demolition Ordinance passed within the town. Following this conversation, the Commission decided to have Mr. Buell send the most recent draft of this proposed ordinance to both the Zoning and Planning Commissions as a courtesy. Mr. Buell was also asked to send a formal letter to the Board of Selectmen informing them that the Historic District Commission had finished revisions to the proposed Delay of Demolition Ordinance alongside a copy of the latest draft of this document.

2022 Meeting Calendar

Mr. Hollinger indicated that Mr. Buell had both drafted and forwarded a calendar which lists H.D.C. meeting times and deadlines for 2022. A motion was passed to accept this calendar.

Motion: To adopt the 2022 meeting calendar as presented by Mr. Fairbairn,

seconded by Ms. Woodroofe. Passed 5-0.

New/Other Business

Mr. Hollinger asked if there was any new business to consider at this meeting. Ms. Woodroofe stated that she wished to add a correction to the minutes, and indicated that the October 26, 2021 minutes should have more clearly stated that Attorney Olson's question regarding the legality of the proposed Delay of Demolition Ordinance was specifically aimed at section 12 of this document, and not the Delay of Demolition Ordinance as a whole. The Commission will revisit these minutes at the December 20, 2021 meeting to potentially request that this correction be made.

Ms. Woodroofe asked if there were any updates on the proposed signage that the Frederick Gunn School had discussed with the Commission at the October 20, 2021 meeting, and was informed that this was a long-term project and that short-term updates were unlikely.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:16 by Ms. Mills, seconded by Ms.

Woodroofe, Passed 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dennis Buell

Historic District Commission Clerk

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