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## **Farmington Historic District Commission**

### **Special Meeting Minutes**

### **March 28, 2017**

Present at this meeting was Chairman Bombara, Commissioners Calciano, Cox, Haviland and Alternate Commissioners Charette and O'Leary and Town Planner and Clerk. Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Alternate Commissioner Charette was appointed to vote on behalf of Commissioner Donald.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

##### **Vivid Hue Home - 769 Farmington Avenue**

Application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install signs and awnings at 769 Farmington Avenue. Heather Grahling, Vivid Hue Home, stated she is relocating her business to 769 Farmington Avenue and would like to move her existing signs from 775 Farmington Avenue to her new location; one sign at both doors. Also proposed are two awnings over the windows facing the street. Commissioners asked clarifying questions about the signs and awning locations.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 4:10 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Haviland/Cox) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install signs and awnings at 769 Farmington Avenue as presented and on file in the Planning Office.

##### **Glenn Scholl – 38 Colton Street**

Application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a detached garage at 38 Colton Street. Mr. Scholl presented his request to construct a detached one-car garage. In January 2003 he was approved for a detached two-car garage that was never constructed. The siding and roof materials will match the house. The Commission asked for clarification on the type of overhead garage door, windows and lighting. The plans submitted call out 2' x 4' casement windows, architectural asphalt shingles, clapboard siding and trim and Mr. Scholl said the overhead door will be a raised panel metal door. No lighting details are noted on the plan but Mr. Scholl stated he will have recessed lighting over the overhead door. He Concern was expressed for the metal overhead door. Mr. Scholl said it will look like wood and because it is setback approximately 160' from the roadway it will not look like a metal door.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 4:27 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Calciano/Haviland) it was unanimously

VOTED: To grant Glenn Scholl a Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a detached one-car garage at 38 Colton Street with the following conditions:

1. The garage shall have clapboard siding and trim;
2. The garage shall have a metal overhead door;
3. Lights on the garage shall be recessed over the overhead door or one or two coach light fixtures; and
4. Windows shall either be wood true divided lites or aluminum clad wood windows.

### **STAFF REPORT**

#### **Temporary Certificates of Appropriateness**

Town Planner Warner provided additional information to the Commission about the possibility of setting an expiration date on Temporary Certificates of Appropriateness. He said to enact an expiration date either the Historic District Ordinance or the Farmington Historic District Commission By-Laws would need to be amended to reflect this restriction. Draft changes to the By-Laws were discussed by the Commission. Concerns of setting an expiration timeline was expressed by some Commissioners and others were in favor of setting an expiration timeline to approvals. After further discussion Chairman Bombara recommended further discussion be tabled to provide more time for the Commissioners consider whether or not they would like to make such a change.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

No Other Business.

### **MINUTES**

Upon a motion made and seconded (Calciano/Cox) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the February 21, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

SJM