City of Orange Township Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2020

The Secretary announced that this is a meeting of Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Orange Township held at City Hall in Council Chambers, 29 North Day Street, Orange, New Jersey on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 7:34 p.m.

The Secretary asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Commissioner Jody Leight

Commissioner Brandon Matthews

Commissioner Janice Morrell

Commissioner Troy Simmons Commissioner Abdiel Velez Commissioner Karen Wells

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, Secretary

Janine Bauer, Esq.

Arrived 7:40 p.m.

Arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Absent:

Commissioner Keith Carroll Richard Wolff, Zoning Officer

The Secretary announced that the requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was published in the Record-Transcript, sent to the Star Ledger on February 22, 2020, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MEETING MINUTES The Secretary announced there were no meeting minutes to approve.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 743, 745 and 749 Valley Street, Orange, N.J. (demolition of existing structures and redevelopment to multi-unit residential)

Rescheduled to the March 18, 2020 meeting for non-appearance.

B. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 408 Heywood Avenue, Orange, N.J. (install a fence, remove asphalt and repave driveway)

Monica Valentine and Paulino Valentine appeared and testified that they want to install a fence on the property line and install the apron and driveway two feet from the property line. The Valentines provided a copy of the property survey.

Motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness Application by Commissioner Matthews, second by Commissioner Simmons.

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	Abstained	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll				X	
Commissioner Kathy Dowd	X				
Commissioner Jody Leight	X				
Commissioner Brandon Matthews	X				
Commissioner Janice Morrell	X				
Commissioner Troy Simmons	X				
Commissioner Abdiel Velez	X				
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

Motion passed.

D. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 549 Scotland Road, Orange, N.J. (removal of existing siding and installation of new siding)

Applicant Mr. Lloyd appeared and testified that he would like to remove existing siding and install vinyl siding. The Commission advised that vinyl siding is not an option. It was the recommendation of the Commission to make repairs to the existing wood siding and/or install wood siding either wood planks or cedar shakes on the entire house.

Applicant has further testified that he will be removing materials and replacing with in kind materials. Attorney Bauer advised there is no need for a motion since it falls under ordinary maintenance.

E. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 207 Heywood Avenue, Orange, N.J. (build a four (4) bedroom residential home)

Yassir Samra appeared and testified that the previous home on the property was burnt and the only thing on the property now is a garage. They would like to build a four bedroom residential home with 2½ bathrooms.

Architect Ralph Finelle also testified and provided detailed visual proposed plan.

The Commission was not satisfied with the plans and recommended that they come back with a redesign on March 18, 2020.

C. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 428 Berkeley Avenue, Orange, N.J. (installation of solar panels)

Richard Marte, District Manager from Vivint Solar appeared on behalf of the owner Dwayne Dennard.

After the Commission reviewed the proposed design of the solar panels layout, suggestions were made to the layout of the solar panels, and it is the recommendation of the Commission that the applicant return with a redesign on March 18, 2020.

RESOLUTION:

3-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION DENYING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS TO FREDERICK LLOYD FOR BLOCK 6202, LOT 22 FOR VINYL FENCING INSTALLED WITHOUT A PERMIT AND IN VIOLATION OF THE DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR PROPERTIES IN HISTORIC DISTRICTS

Motion to adopt by Commissioner Simmons, second by Commissioner Leight.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll				$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$	
Commissioner Kathy Dowd	X				
Commissioner Jody Leight	X				
Commissioner Brandon Matthews			X		
Commissioner Janice Morrell			X		
Commissioner Troy Simmons	X				
Commissioner Abdiel Velez			X		
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

Motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

ZONING OFFICER APPROVAL: None.

PENDING BUSINESS – None.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Simmons, second by Commissioner Matthews. Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned: 9:02 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 18 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chamber, 4th floor, Orange, N.J.

APPROVED:

Joyce L. Lanter

Secretary

Troy Simmons

Chair