

***City of Orange Township
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes***

September 16, 2020

The Secretary announced that this is a meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Orange Township held via audio-video conferencing on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 7:33 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Keith Carroll
Commissioner Kathy Dowd
Commissioner Jody Leight
Commissioner Brandon Matthews
Commissioner Janice Morrell Arrived at 7:40 p.m.
Commissioner Troy Simmons Arrived at 7:50 p.m.
Commissioner Abdiel Velez
Commissioner Karen Wells

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, Secretary
Edward Lloyd, Esq.

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 sent to the Star Ledger, published in the Record Transcript on July 30, 2020 posted on the City’s website (www.ci.orange.nj.us) and the Council’s website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MEETING MINUTES - None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Main Street Redevelopment Presentation – Bright View Engineering

Ms. Olga Garcia and Frank Rotonda both professional engineers for the State of New Jersey from Bright View Engineering presented to the Commissioners six (6) pages of plans for the proposed Main Street Project which included, but is not limited to new:

- Welcome to the City of Orange Township signage;
- City of Orange seal;
- Street lighting;
- Scored sidewalks with and without stamped borders;
- Black powder signals
- Traffic controllers;
- Trash bins;
- Bike racks;
- Iron wrought fencing;
- Benches; and

- Landscaping.

The following topics were discussed.

- Notification to the State of New Jersey Historical Society.
- Incorporating the ideas from the Administration, Council, Historic Preservation, business and property owners on Main Street and City residents.
- Lighting; and
- Landscaping.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Secretary read into the record the following Public Hearing Notice:

The public will be allowed to question witnesses testifying on behalf of the Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness, after the presentation is completed and after questions from the Commission. During the public hearing on the Application, the public will be allowed to comment on any new Certificate of Appropriation Application upon completion of the Applicant's presentation and questions from the Commission. Each person addressing the Commission shall give his or her name and address in an audible tone for the record, and unless further time is granted by the presiding officer shall limit his or her address to five (5) minutes unless the comments are repetitive of other witnesses in which case the presiding officer may further limit the comment period.

The following citizens commented on the Main Street Redevelopment Project:

- 1) James Ward III; and
- 2) Kerry Paul.

RESOLUTION:

9-2020 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS TO PARBATTIE SIRDAR FOR HER PROPERTY AT 386 TREMONT AVENUE IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., BLOCK 6402, LOT 5 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO REPLACE THE DETERIORATING FRONT PORCH FLOOR WITH NEW MAHOGNAY WOOD FLOORBOARDS, NEW COLUMN SUPPORTS FOR THE FRONT PORCH WITH CINDER BLOCKS, OPEN AREAS UNDERNEATH THE PORCH TO BE COVERED WITH LATTICE BENEATH THE PORCH FLOOR IN BETWEEN THE CINDERBLOCK SUPPORT COLUMNS, AND TO ERECT A FENCE AROUND THE YARD INCLUDING A FRONT GATE PER THE PLANS SUBMITTED, WITH THE FENCE TO BE COMPOSED OF BRICK COLUMNS SPACED APART, WITH METAL (IRON NOT STEEL) OR WOOD POSTS OR PICKETS PLACED IN BETWEEN THE BRICK COLUMNS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS SUBMITTED. (Commissioners Carroll and Morrell were absent and should abstain)

Motion to adopt by Commissioner Wells, second by Commissioner Matthews.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<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.

10-2020 **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 423 BERKELEY AVENUE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 5202, LOT 16 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL VINYL WINDOWS.**
(Commissioners Carroll was absent and should abstain)

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

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<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.

11-2020 **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS TO HENRY AND WEDELIE THOMSPN FOR THE PROPERTY AT 381 HEYWOOD AVENUE IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., BLOCK 6401, LOT 32 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO REMOVE AND REPLACE THE EXISTING ROOF BY INSTALLING NEW PLYWOOD DECKING AND NEW ARCHITECTURAL ASPHALT SHINGLES TO MATCH THE EXISTING SHINGLES OF THE TIMBERLINE HDZ TYPE.**
(Commissioners Carroll was absent and should abstain)

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

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<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.

12-2020 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 500 SOUTH CENTER STREET, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 4401, LOT 2 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL VINYL WINDOWS. (Commissioners Carroll was absent and should abstain)

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

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<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.

13-2020 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS TO ALLISTON AND JULIA ANTOINE FOR THEIR PROPERTY AT 352 HILLSIDE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., BLOCK 5801, LOT 14 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO REPLACE THE EXISTING DETERIORATING ROOF WITH NEW DIMENSIONAL HERITAGE LAMINATED ASPHALT SHINGLES. (Commissioners Carroll was absent and should abstain)

Motion to adopt by Commissioner Dowd, second by Commissioner Velez.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<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.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. ZONING OFFICER APPROVAL: None.**

2. GRANT APPLICATION –

Commissioner Wells reported that a \$5,000.00 grant application has been submitted. If approved, the grant will be used to mail out the Historic Preservation brochures.

PENDING BUSINESS - 386 Tremont Avenue – Appeal – Replacement of the front door – Parbattie Sirdar.

- Attorney Lloyd advised the HPC that with the approval of Resolution 9-2020 the HPC has approved some renovations and has denied the aspect of the front door. The applicant can appeal but must do so to the Board of Adjustment.
- Commissioner Simmons reminded the HPC that a schedule of fines must be established.

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Carroll, second by Commissioner Simmons.

Motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

The next Historic Preservation Commission Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 21, 2020 virtually at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Joyce L. Lanier
Secretary

Troy Simmons
Chair