



**BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

Boston City Hall, Boston, MA, 02201
held virtually via Zoom

NOVEMBER 12, 2024

I. BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION BUSINESS HEARING

6:00 PM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Celina Barrios-Millner, David Berarducci, John Freeman, Richard Henderson, Jeffrey Gonyeau, Jeffrey Heyne, Felicia Jacques, Lindsey Mac-Jones, Justine Orlando (Vice-Chair), Brad Walker (Chair), Angela Ward-Hyatt.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: John Amodeo, Christopher Hart, Kirsten Hoffman, Senam Kumahia, Susan Goganian, Fadi Samaha.

STAFF PRESENT: Staff Architect, Chelsea Blanchard; Preservation Planner, Rachel Erickesen; Director of Design Review, Joseph Cornish; & Assistant Survey Director, Dorothy Clark; Architectural Historian, Jennifer Gaugler; Preservation Assistant, Sarah Lawton, Alexa Pinard, Interim Executive Director.

6:02 PM: Commissioner Walker called the public hearing to order. He explained that, pursuant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, that the public hearing was being conducted virtually via the online meeting platform Zoom in order to review Design Review applications. He also briefly explained how to participate in the online hearing. There were no members of the press present.

The Chair announced that the Commission would next review petitions, study reports, and designation.

II. PETITIONS, STUDY REPORTS, & DESIGNATIONS

#263 CALF PASTURE PUMPING STATION

Amended study report posted 11/1/2024.

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Documents presented included map of extents of designations and historic photographs.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: Discussion topics included a list of the proposed changes and edits to the study report and the proposed designation boundaries.



COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: There were no comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kathleen Kirleis, Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance at UMass, Boston, spoke on behalf of the Chancellor for UMass Boston, and spoke in support of the study report and offered comments regarding the West Shaft entrance.

COMMISSIONER FREEMAN MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE STUDY REPORT. COMMISSIONER BERARDUCCI SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ, JF, RH, JO, DB, LMJ, CBM, JG, BW)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).

COMMISSIONER ORLANDO MOTIONED TO DESIGNATE. COMMISSIONER FREEMAN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ, JF, RH, JO, DB, JG, AWH, JH, BW)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE)

#270.20 DANIEL WITHINGTON HOUSE (19 ASHLAND, DORCHESTER)

Amended study report posted 11/1/2024.

DOCUMENTS PRESENTED: Documents presented included existing condition photographs, site plans, elevation drawings and renderings.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: Discussion topics included an overview of existing conditions, the properties square footage, the changes made to existing dormers, a list of proposed edits to the study report, and an overview of the proposed alterations to the property.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: Discussion topics included the plans to restore the existing dormers.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ray Boghos, offered comments regarding changes made to the property and the proposed alterations to the existing dormers.

COMMISSIONER JACQUES MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE STUDY REPORT. COMMISSIONER HENDERSON SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ, JF, RH, JO, DB, LMJ, CBM, JH, BW)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).

COMMISSIONER JACQUES MOTIONED TO DESIGNATE. COMMISSIONER HENDERSON SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ, JF, RH, JO, DB, LMJ, JG, AWH, BW)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).



The Chair announced that the Commission would next review CPA Determinations.

III. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT DETERMINATIONS

Vote to authorize BLC staff to make determinations of significance.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: An overview of the Community Preservation Act and the proposed changes that would authorize BLC staff to determine local significance.

COMMISSIONER GONYEAU MOTIONED TO AUTHORIZE BLC STAFF TO MAKE DETERMINATIONS OF SIGNIFICANCE. COMMISSIONER FREEMAN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ, JF, RH, JO, DB, JG, AWH, JH, BW)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).

IV. HEARING MINUTES

Review and ratification of Public Hearing Minutes from 10/22/24 .

COMMISSIONER ORLANDO MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER WARD- HYATT SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 9-0-0 (Y: FJ, JF, RH, JO, DB, LMJ, AWH, JH, BW)(N: NONE)(ABS: NONE).

V. STAFF UPDATES

Chelsea Blanchard, Staff Architect, stated the next Design Review Hearing will take place at 4:00 PM, on November 26th & BLC Business will take place at 6:00 PM.

Joseph Cornish, Director of Design Review, mentioned that the Deputy Director position had been posted. Also, the Bay Village Commission after six years of work accepted new changes to regulatory standards.

VI. ADJOURN – 7:00 PM

COMMISSIONER GONYEAU MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING. COMMISSIONER BERADUCCI SECONDED THE MOTION. A VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED AND ALL COMMISSIONERS PRESENT VOTED TO ADJOURN.