

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2006 at 6:00 P.M.

MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

OCTOBER 18, 2006

At the request of Vice-Chairman Olson and the members, consultant Al Zaccone called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m., it having been duly noted that this meeting is in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was sent to The Record on the 16th day of December, 2005, and to the Star Ledger on the 16th day of December, 2005. Roll Call was taken. Commission members present were: Mary Romme, Juan Kuriyama and James Manfredi. Consultant Al Zaccone was also present.

The minutes of the September 20, 2006, minutes were approved.

APPROVAL NOTES: ANY APPROVALS REMAIN SUBJECT TO THE APPLICANT SECURING CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR ALL WORK REVIEWED BY THIS COMMISSION. ALL APPROVALS FOR SIGNS ARE SUBJECT TO CONFORMANCE WITH ZONING ORDINANCE AND MUST BE APPROVED AS SUCH BY THE ZONING OFFICER.

Public Comments (not pertaining to applications): None, no one present.

New Business: 189 Main Street, was represented by building owner Cara Horowitz (3 Horizon Road, Fort Lee, NJ 07024). The application fee of \$45.00 was submitted. The application is for changes to the storefront. She originally had applied for a permit in July 2005, which was granted, but is now submitting modified changes to the original plan. She will not be using the previous plans.

The applicant explained that she plans on putting stucco across the top where the sign was. She will also attempt to clean up the area that has tar on it. The applicant was informed that this is not always successful and that she should have an alternate plan in case it cannot be cleaned. The section below where there is metal now, it will now be stucco. The stucco will run right up to the end.

The colors will be Lafayette green on the metal and the stucco will be beige to match the brick. The applicant had originally planned to leave the metal as is but the Commission explained to her that it was trying to get away from the bronze color. It would prefer if the metal were the dark green. The applicant agreed with this.

The applicant advised that if the brick cannot be cleaned that she would make the entire area stucco. This would then match the adjacent building and make the building look more in character. The stucco will be painted beige to match the brick and the accent color on the metal will be the dark green. The doorway

trim should also be painted in dark green to match the bottom and top of the building.

A motion was made by Mary Romme and seconded by Juan Kuriyama, to approve the application as submitted with the stipulation that if the brick cannot be cleaned properly, there is the option of rather than trying to restore the brick that has the tar on it that it can also be stucco at the top and can be painted to match the color of the existing brick material on the front of the building; the existing metal on the front of the building and the doors will be painted in the Lafayette green as presented on the plans and the same as the strip above and below the window. All were in favor of this motion.

Anthony Bracco Art Studio Inc., (15 Mt. Vernon Street) was represented by business owner Anthony Bracco (24 Myrtle Avenue, Nutley, NJ 07110 973-667-3897). The application is for a new sign. The application fee of \$45.00 was submitted.

The applicant plans to install the sign on the existing panel with 1 ½ ft. left on each side. The sign is 2 ft 9 inches high and 9 feet wide. It is aluminum with painted letters. It will be applied like the surrounding stores. He will paint the background of the panel the same color as the sign. He also plans on repainting the front of the store in the same colors just to clean it up.

A motion was made by James Manfredi and seconded by Mary Romme, to accept the application for the sign as submitted. The application is fine as submitted with the stipulation that the background color of the panel be painted to match the sign and also that the front of the building will be painted in the existing colors to freshen it up. All were in favor of this motion.

Discussion: There was a potential application from TD Banknorth that they were looking to come in tonight with an application but no paperwork was submitted and the Commission has not heard anything from them. Next month CVS will be back in with their application for signage. There might also be a potential application from RP Storage.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Carol Todd, Building Dept.
Cara Horowitz
Jon Fellgraff, AIA
Anthony Bracco