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## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

### Minutes

City of Rochester

**Wednesday September 11, 2019 at 7 pm**

*City Hall Annex (second floor conference room)*

33 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH

*(These minutes were approved on October 10, 2019)*

#### Members Present

Molly Meulenbroek, *Chair*

Martha Wingate, *Vice Chair*

Peter Bruckner

Marilyn Jones

Sandra Keans

Joyce Bruckner, *(Planning Board Rep)*

#### Members Absent

Nancy Dibble

**I. Call to Order.** Ms. Meulenbroek called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

**II. Approval of minutes for August 14, 2019.**

*The minutes from August 14, 2019 were approved by a motion from Mr. Bruckner and seconded by Mrs. Wingate. All voted in favor.*

**III. 73 North Main, LLC, 73-77 North Main Street** Certificate of Approval for window replacement, fire escape, HVAC screening, and trim paint color.

Holly Ciampa and Rachel Jones were present from Art Form Architecture to go over the detailed Elevations that were submitted on September 9, 2019. The two specifically went over the details regarding the fire escape and the screening of the HVAC. They also discussed the new door opening for commercial vans.

Mr. Bruckner asked specifically what kind of material the fire escape would be made out of? The Response was black steel pending approval from the Rochester Fire Department. Justin Gargiulo owner of the building stated that he has decided to restore the windows after feedback from the August 14, 2019 HDC meeting. He has contacted a few restoration companies and the cost was less than originally quoted. Originally he thought it would be solid but now he proposes glass and would be looking to do black or green trim.

Ms. Ciampa and Ms. Jones explained the changes to the front of building the commercial door for privacy. Mrs. Keans asked about the changes proposed to the front of the commercial building. The applicants decided to keep the existing front entrance.

Ms. Meulenbroek asked if any Commission members had any questions or comments.

*A motion was made by Mr. Bruckner and seconded by Ms. Wingate to approve the project as submitted. All voted in favor.*

#### **IV. Approval of No Negative Effect**

- a. Statura, 103 North Main Street Mrs. Mears explained this application for No Negative Effect. Reside the front of the building and replace broken clapboards with new cedar clapboard to match the exiting siding. Repair and replace rotting trim board to match the material and color of the existing trim.
- b. Piazzzi, 107 North Main Street Mrs. Mears explained this application for No Negative Effect. Replacing a few damaged shingles with asphalt singles to match existing shingles. Replacing a couple damaged clapboards on the back of the building with clapboards that match existing clapboards. Painting the house(clapboards)in a light yellow color “Sweet Buttercup” that is very similar to the HDC approved color “Pale Organza.” Repainting trim white. Repainting exterior doors (front and set back,front left side) black. The doors are currently black. Replacing an outdoor wooden stair case with a 4ftx4ftwoodfire escape with a 36 in tall railing. The fire escape will be unpainted.

#### **I. Historic District Sign and Façade Application**

Mrs. Mears went over the Historic District Sign and Façade Application form. Mrs. Keans asked the question about how a nonprofit organization would apply due to income restrictions. Mrs. Mears asked if she could send out a press release this month regarding this new incentive. The HDC agreed that it will be on a first come first serve basis. The funding is coming from the Community Development Block Grant so income threshold levels will need to be approved.

*A motion was made by Mr. Bruckner and seconded by Ms. Jones to approve the Historic District Commission Sign and Façade submitted.*

#### **II. Downtown Master Plan Chapter Update**

Mrs. Mears explained that the Downtown Master Plan survey will be sent out this week via press release.

#### **III. Other Business/Non-scheduled Items**

The Historic District Commission and Arts and Culture Commission will be working together to come up with a process for the Downtown Mural approval.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

*A motion was made by Ms. Wingate to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. All voted in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,

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*Senior Planner*