



City of Plymouth  
Historic District Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 6, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

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**Online Zoom Meeting**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Chair Colleen Polin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chair Polin, Members Jeremy Borys, Gania Kandalraft, John Townsend

Excused: Stanley Cole, Linda Filipczak, Joshua Mrozowski

Also present: Community Development Director John Buzuvis, City Commission Liaison Suzi Deal

**2. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

Borys offered a motion, seconded by Townsend, to approve the minutes of the of the September 1, 2021 meeting.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Borys, Kandalraft, Polin, Townsend

MOTION PASSED 4-0

**4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Townsend offered a motion, seconded by Borys, to approve the amended agenda for Wednesday, October 6, 2021.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Borys, Kandalraft, Polin, Townsend

MOTION PASSED 4-0

**5. COMMISSION COMMENTS**

There were no commission comments.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. H21-07, 306 S. Main: Exterior alterations, windows and doors, signage, and exterior lighting

Representatives of the architecture firm Constantine George Pappas described the project, focusing on proposed changes to the windows, sills, and façade materials, and cleaning the exterior of the building.

### ***Commissioner Comments***

Commission members expressed appreciation that the application was complete and provided excellent detail. Noting the Secretary of Interior Standards for Rehabilitation, they remarked that the project might violate some of these standards by removing historical material and altering craftsmanship. Of particular concern was removing limestone to lower the windows and either removing or covering additional limestone with granite.

### ***Citizen Comments***

Ellen Elliott, 404 Irvin, said the building was completed in 1920 and is representative of the time period of the 'teens transitioning to the 1920s. She said she was not in favor of the windows being lowered and that in her experience, granite also deteriorates on outdoor surfaces.

Patrick Kehoe, 418 Blunk, said the architects could balance the need to activate the outdoor area with the indoor area while preserving the building and that lowering the windows would provide an opening between the building and the community.

The applicants said they would get expert opinions about cleaning materials and whether the limestone could be preserved and not covered over with granite as proposed. They also plan to look for precedent regarding covering limestone with granite in a historic building. They asked to come back at a later date with this information.

Townsend offered a motion, seconded by Kandalaft, to postpone review of H21-07 to allow the applicant time to provide additional information , and that after the applicant's request, another meeting would be scheduled.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Borys, Kandalaft, Polin, Townsend

MOTION PASSED 4-0

## **8. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Buzuvis said he anticipated HDC meetings would be held via Zoom through December. He announced that the Wilcox Fountain in Kellogg Park would be dedicated on October 16 at 11:00 a.m.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Borys offered a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Townsend seconded the motion.

There was a roll call vote.

Yes: Borys, Kandalaft, Polin, Townsend

MOTION PASSED 4-0