HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD

REGULAR AND PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 3, 2017

The meeting of the Historic District Commission of East Hartford, Connecticut was called to order at 7:01 p.m. in Conference Room A on the first floor of Town Hall by Vice Chair Travis Simpson. On a roll call by Vice Chair Simpson:

<u>PRESENT</u>: Vice Chair Travis Simpson, Chairman David Holmes, Alternate Jeffrey Cummings and Alternate Joshua Quintana

ABSENT: Adrian Spence

ALSO PRESENT: Liaison, Paul O'Sullivan and representatives of applicant, Ms. Jaime Beaver and Mr. Ian Powel

Alternate Jeffrey Cummings and Alternate Joshua Quintana were appointed voting members by Chairman Holmes. It was determined that there was quorum.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Mr. Simpson to accept May 2, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes; seconded by Mr. Cummings. Vote was unanimous and uncontested. Mr. Quintana abstained.

COMMUNICATIONS: Communications on the agenda were presented to the Commission.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

ACCEPT AS COMPLETE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 193 NAUBUC AVENUE (OWNER: BEAVER) #86 – INSTALL PERGOLA: Mr. Quintana made a MOTION to accept application #86 for 193 Naubuc Avenue as complete; seconded by Mr. Cummings. Vote was unanimous and uncontested.

Chair David Holmes recessed the Regular Meeting at 7:05 to begin the **PUBLIC HEARING**.

The Public Hearing of the Historic District Commission of East Hartford, Connecticut was called to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Conference Room A on the first floor of Town Hall by Chair David Holmes.

On a roll call by Vice-Chair Travis Simpson:

PRESENT: Chair David Holmes, Vice-Chair Travis Simpson, Alternate Jeffrey Cummings and Alternate Joshua Quintana

ABSENT: Adrian Spence

Alternate Jeffrey Cummings and Alternate Joshua Quintana were appointed voting members by Chairman Holmes. It was determined that there was quorum.

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Legal Notice read by Liaison, Paul O'Sullivan

A brief presentation was made by the applicant for 193 Naubuc Avenue (Owner: Beaver) #85 – Install Pergola. A discussion followed.

The public hearing was closed at 7:12 p.m.

Chair David Holmes reopened the Regular Meeting at 7:12 p.m.

ACTION ON APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRAITENESS: 193

NAUBUC Avenue (OWNER: BEAVER) – INSTALL PERGOLA: Commission members expressed concern on the integrity of the structure as it is being erected since it appears to not be structurally sound. The applicants are aware of this and have not completed the structure because they were waiting for the Certificate of Appropriateness. The applicant stated that measures will be taken to properly secure the structure.

Mr. Quintana made a MOTION to approve application #86 as submitted; second by Mr. Simpson. Vote was unanimous and uncontested.

<u>REVIEW/UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION</u>: Members reviewed their contact information.

PAYMENTS:

- 1. Clerk (\$75)
- 2. Hartford Courant (\$43.49)

Mr. Simpson made a MOTION to pay the above listed expenses; seconded by Mr. Quintana. Vote was unanimous and uncontested.

OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Commission members discussed the fact that the Town's Building and Permit Division allowed the homeowners to build the pergola without notifying the Commission. The Building division did not require a permit for the structure and therefore did not alert the homeowners that they needed to contact the Commission. In the future, the Commission will try to think of ways to prevent this from happening again. Also, Commission members discussed reaching out to homeowners in the district to join the Commission.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: MOTION by Mr. Cummings to adjourn the meeting a 7:28; seconded by Mr. Quintana. Vote was unanimous and uncontested.

Respectfully Submitted,