

**Minutes**  
**Historic Resources Board**  
**Conduff Conference Room, City Hall**  
**1101 Poyntz Avenue**  
**February 27, 2006**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Larry Brockson, Chair; Tom Roberts; Mike Mecseri; Ray Weisenburger; Bonnie Lynn-Sherow.

**Members Absent:** Jan Borst; Jean Hill.

**Others Present:** Steve Lee.

**Staff Present:** Cam Moeller, Planner.

**1. ENVIRONS REVIEW**

**11<sup>th</sup> & Houston Street, New Construction (within environs of Fitz House)**

Steve Lee showed plans for a proposed new single-family home that would be placed on a vacant lot at 11<sup>th</sup> & Houston. Lee said their hope is that it may serve as a prototype for infill construction on vacant lots in the traditional neighborhoods. Lee said lap siding is proposed with a stone front porch.

Lynn-Sherow said the Arts & Crafts Bungalow style fits in with the neighborhood.

Mecseri moved that the Board find that the proposal meets the Standards and Guidelines for Evaluating the Effect of Projects on Environs and will not encroach upon, damage or destroy the listed historic property or its environs.

Lynn-Sherow seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5-0.

**2. Consider the minutes of the January 23, 2006 and the February 6, 2006 Historic Resources Board Meetings.**

Lynn-Sherow moved that the Board approve the minutes. Roberts seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5-0.

**3. ENVIRONS REVIEW**

**401 Fremont Street, Renovation/Restoration (within environs of Damon Runyon House).**

Lynn-Sherow and Mecseri, as applicants, recused themselves due to a conflict of interest.

Lynn-Sherow and Mecseri described how they have removed a porch on the north façade of the structure and are proposing to replace it with a new porch that more closely resembles the original porch that was in place when the home was built in the early 1880s.

Lynn-Sherow said that they will be converting the structure from a duplex back to a single-family home. As part of the conversion, Lynn-Sherow said the two entrances on the north

façade will be removed and replaced with a new front entrance centered on the north façade to match the location of the original front entrance.

Brockson directed City Staff to do an administrative review of the proposal, due to the following reasons: the Board does not have a quorum, the Board typically avoids slowing the review process when practicable, the three Board members present to review the project (Brockson, Roberts, and Weisenburger) are comfortable with the proposal, and the project is similar in scale and scope to other “minor” projects that have been reviewed administratively.

**4. Continue discussion of strategic plan for upcoming projects**

The Board briefly discussed the strategic plan, and agreed to continue the discussion at the next meeting.

**5. Discuss projects to request for inclusion in the 2007-2012 Capital Improvements Program (CIP)**

The Board requested that the next phases of survey work of the older neighborhoods be included in the 2007 CIP.

The Board discussed the creation of an informational brochure for Manhattan’s Historic Sites and Districts. It was decided that type of project could be undertaken by City Staff and would not require any additional funding.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cam Moeller, AICP, Planner II

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