

**Minutes
Historic Resources Board
Conduff Conference Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Avenue
March 26, 2007
4:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Larry Brockson, Chair; Elaine Mohr; Tom Roberts; Mike Mecseri; Jean Hill; Ray Weisenburger; Bonnie Lynn-Sherow.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Evan Grier; Donna Schenck-Hamlin.

Staff Present: Cam Moeller, Planner.

1. Consider the minutes of the February 26, 2007 Historic Resources Board meeting.

Weisenburger moved that the Board approve the minutes. Mecseri seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0 (Lynn-Sherow had not yet arrived).

**2. REVIEW OF CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURE WITHIN DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT & ENVIRONS REVIEW
Sign Permit, Harry's, 418 Poyntz Avenue**

Evan Grier explained how the proposed sign on the front awning will replace a previous neon sign.

Weisenburger moved that the Board find that the proposed sign meets *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation* and *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.

Mecseri seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 6-0 (Lynn-Sherow had not yet arrived).

**3. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS & ENVIRONS REVIEW
Conversion of screened-in porch into an all-seasons room, Coons House, 1922
Leavenworth Street (listed on the Manhattan Register of Historic Places; within environs of Grimes House and McFarlane-Wareham Residence)**

Schenck-Hamlin explained that they are proposing 8-over-1 double-hung windows to replace the screens on the porch. The windows will be sized as close as possible to the windows on the rest of the house.

Weisenburger moved that the Board approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the project and find it 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.

Hill seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 7-0.

4. Announcements and Updates

Lynn-Sherow briefed the other Board members on the outcomes of the Historic Summit.

5. Future Items

The Board had questions about the status of the stone house within the downtown redevelopment area. The Board asked for copies of the Memorandum of Agreement that was done as part of the Section 106 Review and also for copies of the report on the houses identified in the Review as having potential historic significance.

The Board discussed the possible formation of a steering committee to address sidewalk preservation in the older neighborhoods. The Board discussed making that request to the Mayor.

6. Upcoming Meetings:

- April 9, 2007
- April 23, 2007
- May 28, 2007

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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