

Old and Historic Marblehead Districts Commission

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John Kelley-Member, Cheryl Boots-Member, Robert Bragdon - Alternate

Minutes for January 21, 2020

Present constituting a quorum: Charles Hibbard, Gary Amberik, Sally Sands, John Kelley,
Cheryl Boots

1. 118 Front Street
Kyle and Paul Donovan
This is a new for:

- Driveway, planting bed, remove chain link fence

Issues discussed include:

- Applicant proposes to replace front concrete steps with new stone risers and granite treads. Railing will be a single steel rail at the right side of the stairs
- Applicant proposes to install a brick border around the driveway area and install asphalt paving. OHDC noted that the brick border is very formal. Applicant will withdraw the request for the brick border.
- Applicant proposes a low stone wall at the front of the house to hold back soil around the porch. OHDC noted a preference to limit the scope of new landscape walls. Applicant will withdraw the request and explore a landscape option.
- Applicant proposes a granite stair at the back door, and a granite step at the end of the walkway along the back of the house

It was moved, seconded, and voted (5-0) that no estates are materially affected and to approve (5-0) all work as proposed with the following amendments: 1. Request for stone retaining wall at front of house is withdrawn. 2. Request for 2-row brick border around driveway is withdrawn.

2. 2 Fort Sewall Terrace
Richard and Gabrielle Coffman
This is a continued application for:

- Pergola, fireplace, etc.

Issues discussed include:

- Continued from 12/17/19 & 1/7/20
- Applicant explored other options for the wood pergola, but was not able to determine a reduced scope that was acceptable. Applicant has removed the wood pergola from the application.
- Applicant has agreed to reduce the height of the proposed fireplace to 6'-0"
- OHDC discussed the height of the proposed fence, and would like to ensure that the proposed patio is not visible from a public way.
- Applicant will review existing fence with neighbor to ensure that it will remain in perpetuity to screen the proposed patio.

It was moved, seconded, and voted (5-0) to continue the hearing until 2/4/20.

Other Matters:

Owner of 37 Elm R appeared to discuss final selection of garage door. Applicant proposes a Fimbel RT11-S "Richmond" door. It was moved, seconded and voted (5-0) to approve the substitution.

Barbara Warren from Salem Sound Coastwatch appeared to discuss the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Plan.

Owner of 14 Tucker Street appeared to discuss completion of the project. Applicant committed to restoring the existing granite border, walkway and fence by April 1, 2020, or submit an application to modify the current design.

Regarding 42 Lee Street, OHDC noted that landscaping work has proceeded without prior approval. OHDC will notify the owner.

It was moved, seconded, and voted (5-0) to approve the meeting minutes of January 7, 2020.

End of Minutes