



CITY OF HARTFORD
HARTFORD HISTORIC PROPERTIES &
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSIONS
Special Meeting
Virtual in Hartford, CT
MINUTES DRAFT
November 4, 2020

The Hartford Historic Properties & Preservation Commissions held a Virtual Special Public Hearing at **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4, 2020.**

Hartford Historic Properties Commission

This session was not opened.

HISTORIC REVIEWS

ADJOURNMENT

Hartford Historic Preservation Commission

Attendance

Present: Chair Jeffrey Jahnke, Commissioners Albert Gary, Edith Pestana, Virginia Seeley and Alternate Commissioner Jonathan Clark

Absent: Alternate Commissioner Aurelia Gale

Staff Present: Vanessa Walton, Aimee Chambers and Attorney Rich Vassallo

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jeffrey Jahnke called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Alternate Commissioner Jonathan Clark was seated as a full Commissioner for this meeting.

HISTORIC REVIEWS

1. Continued – 23 Babcock Street

This was continuation from the October 21, 2020 Virtual Public Hearing regarding a proposal for the replacement of all windows and storm windows with one over one Series 100 Vinyl Mechanical Double Hung Tilt Windows. The building is an 1875 Italianate residential home, located in the Frog Hollow National Historic District.

Ms. Aimee Chambers, Planning Director, gave an update to the earlier report and stated that the applicant installed the windows prior to going before the Historic Commission to protect his investment from the intrusion of the elements. She further stated that staff corresponded with the applicant and that the applicant provided an estimate from Star Hardware for the window replacements. However, the estimate received does not include the transom window.

The owner/applicant, Mr. Colin Campbell was present and he addressed and answered questions from the Commission. He stated that in regards to the transom window, he does not have any photos of

what it looked like previously. The Commissioners discussed with the applicant the changes that should be made to the transom. There were no comments, questions or testimony from the public and the Public Hearing was closed.

The Commission deliberated, and Commissioner Virginia Seeley made a **MOTION** to **AMEND** the resolution to add the following conditions:

1. That the applicant create frames for the windows to sit in that are either 5/4" or 1" in wood; that the frames be installed on the two sides and bottom sill of the rough opening and that it be attached to the corners of the window arch; and that the window be installed tight to that frame and be a 1 over 1 window.
2. That the exterior side of the wood frames in all openings, including the transom, be trimmed with an appropriate standard brick mold detail

Seconded by Commissioner Albert Gary. The **AMENDED** resolution was **APPROVED with CONDITIONS** by a vote of **5-0**.

**CITY OF HARTFORD
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION
23 BABCOCK STREET**

- Whereas,** The City of Hartford Historic Preservation Commission has reviewed the proposal to remove the existing wood windows, storm panes and window casing on the structure at 23 Babcock Street and replace with vinyl window and wood casing; and
- Whereas,** The property is located in the Frog Hollow National Historic District on the block of Babcock Street between Capitol Avenue and Russ Street; and
- Whereas,** The structure is an 1875, 3-story brick masonry building of Italianate style in fair condition aside from minor repairs and painting needed on the front entrance porch; and
- Whereas,** The applicant proposes to remove all existing wood window and storm window and replace with Series 100 Vinyl Mechanical Double Hung Tilt Window by Crystal Window and door Systems, LTD; and
- Whereas,** The proposed white, one over one vinyl windows do not match the existing two over two windows located on the front façade; and
- Whereas,** The new wood casing will replace the original wood window casing and the proposed paint color for the wood was not provided; and
- Whereas,** The proposed work is not consistent with the City's Historic Design Principles;
- Now Therefore Be It
- Resolved,** The City of Hartford Historic Preservation Commission hereby approves the proposed window replacement at 23 Babcock Street with the following conditions:
1. That the applicant create frames for the windows to sit in that are either 5/4" or 1" in wood; that the frames be installed on the two sides and bottom sill of the rough opening and that it be attached to the corners of the window arch; and that the window be installed tight to that frame and be a 1 over 1 window.
 2. That the exterior side of the wood frames in all openings, including the transom, be trimmed with an appropriate standard brick mold detail

Be It Further,

Resolved, This 4th day of November 2020.

2. 129 Kenyon Street

This was a continuation from the previous Virtual Public Hearing, held October 21, 2020, regarding a proposal for the replacement of all existing second floor window sashes with Marvin replacement windows. This is an 1898 Shingle and Colonial Revival styled home. It is located in the West End North National Historic District.

Ms. Aimee Chambers, Planning Director, gave an update of the previous report and stated that this is a Scoville home that had a number of different types of windows. At the previous meeting, the Commission requested that the applicant provide view or vantage points and descriptions of each of the windows, along with their design. Ms. Chambers further stated that the requested information was received from the property owner which was given to the Commissioners and shared on the screen.

The applicant, Mr. Dave Monaco of DJM Carpentry was present and he addressed and answered questions from the Commission. There were no testimony, comments or questions from the public and the Public Hearing was closed.

The Commission deliberated and concluded that the windows in the rear of the house can be replaced and that the windows, that are facing and visible from the street should be maintained.

Commissioner Jonathan Clark made a **MOTION** to **AMEND** the resolution to strike the language in condition 1 and replace it with the following conditions:

1. That windows numbered 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 as listed in the drawings submitted by the home owner be approved for replacement
2. That windows numbered 1-9 as listed in the drawings submitted by the home owner are to remain in place

Seconded by Commissioner Albert Gary. The **AMENDED** resolution was **APPROVED with CONDITIONS** by a vote of **5-0**

**CITY OF HARTFORD
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION
129 KENYON STREET**

Whereas, The City of Hartford Historic Preservation Commission has reviewed the proposal to replace 14 second story windows at 129 Kenyon Street; and

Whereas, The property is located in the West End North National Historic District; and

Whereas, The structure is a 2 ½ story building of Shingle and Colonial Revival style; and

Whereas, The property is mentioned in the historic nomination as being a work of William Scoville with unique features; an elliptical window with elongated, bracket-like keystones; the crenellated tower; the paneling in a geometric motif; a dramatically flared roof; large projecting, front dormer gables; 2-sided diagonal windows; paneled bays; and

Whereas, The applicant proposes to remove (14) existing windows and replace all with new 6 over 1 Marvin windows, having white wood interior features and bronze Ultrex exterior features, while the existing exterior trim is to remain; and

1 **Whereas,** The existing second story window, on the Kenyon Street facing side of the crenellated
2 tower feature, has a unique diagonal or diamond pattern to the muntins; and
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4 **Whereas,** The proposed work is consistent with the City's Historic Design Principles; and
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6 Now Therefore Be It
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8 **Resolved,** The City of Hartford Historic Preservation Commission hereby approves the proposed
9 work with the following conditions:
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11 1. That windows numbered 10, 11, 12, 13 (and 14) as listed in the drawings submitted
12 by the applicant be approved for replacement
13 2. That windows numbered 1-9 as listed in the drawings submitted by the applicant are
14 to remain in place
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16 Be It Further,
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18 **Resolved,** This 4th day of November 2020.
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21 **NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

22 Ms. Aimee Chambers, Director of Planning formally introduced two newly hired employees of the
23 Planning Division. Ms. Autumn Florek, who will be working with Historic and Mr. Paul Ashworth. Both
24 are Senior Planners.
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26 **MINUTES**

27 Not discussed at this meeting
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29 **ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS**

30 This was not discussed
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32 **LIST OF PERMITS**

33 No permits to be discussed
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35 **ADJOURNMENT**

36 The meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.
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38 Respectfully submitted by
39 Vanessa L. Walton, Executive Assistant