



Town of Barnstable
Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission

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To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission Ordinance under Chapter 112, Article III of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, you are hereby notified that a hearing is being held at Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd Floor at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday, December 4, 2019.**

APPROVED AS AMENDED MINUTES

Members Present: Cheryl Powell, Betsy Young, Cecelia Carey, Taryn Thoman, and Marina Atsalis

Members Absent: Jonathan Kanter, Jack Kay, David Dumont, David Colombo and Tim Ferreira

Staff Present: Karen Herrand, Principal Assistant, Paul Wackrow, Senior Planner Planning & Development Dept.

An announcement was made by Cheryl Powell, Chair, stating the meeting is being recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, §20; and requested that anyone taping this meeting to please make their presence known. *Please silence your cell phones.*

Call to Order

Roll Call

Welcome to New Members, Special Guests, and Advisors

Housekeeping

Retirement card for Ruth Weil – some members need to sign.

Reminder of Commission's Purpose and Proper Procedure

Continued Business

Dhaval Prajapati d/b/a Heritage House at present – proposed name change to Comfort Inn– 259 Main Street, Hyannis – Map 327 Parcel 127 (Constructed CA 1969)– continued from September 18, 2019
Request to continue to November 6, 2019 and December 4, 2019 - New Business Signage

Dhaval Prajapati in attendance. Handout of proposed signage, Exhibit A. He gives an explanation of the proposal of signage. Chauncy's sign also to be replaced with Comfort Inn signage. Keeping gooseneck lighting. Colors are the Comfort Inn brand colors. He shows the proposed signage, navy blue, this is the Comfort in brand.

Paul Wackrow states that this is the first staff has seen/received for this signage.

Marina Atsalis asks about the gooseneck lamps, confirmed they will be centered.

Betsy Young confirms the placement of the signs and the font and sizing that is different.

Dhaval Prajapati replies this is what the chain wants/how they do their brand.

Taryn Thoman thinks looks awkward, confirms this is the style that the company wants.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any positive or negative public comment - None. Public Comment is closed.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks about the time to consider since just received tonight?

Commissioners all state no, they can vote on tonight.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for the Findings, moved by Marina Atsalis to find this application as presented to be compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, seconded by Taryn Thoman, so voted unanimously.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for Certificate of Appropriateness, moved by Taryn Thoman to accept/issue for 259 Main Street, as described in submitted materials, seconded by Marina Atsalis, so voted unanimously.

Chair moved item out of order.

Minor Modifications

Dhaval Prajapati d/b/a Heritage House at present – proposed name change to Comfort Inn – 259 Main Street, Hyannis – Map 327 Parcel 127

Request to modify approved colors (2nd minor modification)

Marina Atsalis clarifies the colors and placement of.

Betsy Young clarifies the body and the accent colors and where colors applied.

Dhaval Prajapati replies/shows the panels are the Dustblu color and the body is Portico color and white trim.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any public comment positive or negative – None.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to accept the color changes as presented, moved by Taryn Thoman, seconded by Cecelia Carey, so voted unanimously.

New Business

Moonshine Leather Co. – 592 Main Street, Hyannis (a/k/a 578 Main St.) – Map 308 Parcel 073-001

New Business Signage

Mike Caggio from Plymouth Sign Co. in attendance. He explains that this business will be taking over the Cellar Leather shop. Same size and same current locations for the signage. They changed the bracket, it is a more ornate bracket, Exhibit B, picture of the bracket handed and passed around, iron material.

Betsy Young confirms existing lighting on the sign, and yes, they will use this.

Cecelia Carey comments that she likes the ornate bracket added.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any public comment – None.

Marina Atsalis thinks the fine leather goods wording is a little distracting, but all in all likes the sign.

Betsy Young asks for clarification that there are two signs now, likes the colors.

Taryn Thoman comments about “fine leather goods” wording, will it help the business, likes bracket.

Marina Atsalis asks if possible to drop this wording below the sign? From projecting sign, possibly move this wording under the sign?

Mike Caggio replies that would make the sign larger – drop the tag line.

Discussion regarding the placement of the wording "fine leather goods" and the light blue color being removed.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for the Findings, moved by Betsy Young that this application is compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, seconded by Cecelia Carey, Marina Atsalis abstains and Taryn Thoman abstains.

Chair Cheryl Powell moves to find this application to be compatible for the preservation and protection of the district as amended, to remove the light blue color and have all navy color with the background stripes and otherwise the same, seconded by Betsy Young, so voted unanimously.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion for the Certificate of Appropriateness/Decision, moved by Taryn Thoman to issue for application at 592 Main Street, Hyannis (a/k/a 578 Main St.) as described in the submitted materials with the edits, seconded by Betsy Young, so voted unanimously.

Other Business

Approval of November 20, 2019 Minutes

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion, moved by Betsy Young to approve the minutes of November 20, 2019, seconded by Cecelia Carey, so voted unanimously.

Commission Training Update

Paul Wackrow gives an update – he has sent a link out to the Commissioner's to review. Guide book and some guidelines for. General background on Downtown Hyannis. Please submit ideas.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks about training from Town Attorney's office.

Paul Wackrow replies that he hasn't heard anything yet.

Discussion re Open Meeting Law meetings and when/where to go.

Light Permitting Update

Paul Wackrow gives a review – Dave Dumont had asked about permitting regarding lights. This is a Bldg. Dept. procedure – electrical permits are grouped together in system. Bldg. Commissioner and he are trying to see if these can be done differently re the issues that were identified previously.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to adjourn, moved by Betsy Young, seconded by Cecelia Carey. Marina Atsalis and Taryn Thoman do not vote. The motion to adjourn does not pass.

Marina Atsalis reads her letter of resignation into record, Exhibit C, dated December 4, 2019.

"Dear Cheryl, As a member of this board since its establishment in 1996, I have come to the decision after much thought and deliberation, that it is time to step down from my position as a Board member of the Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission. Effective January 1, 2020. Having spent 23 years on the Board, I feel the time is right to give the Commission the opportunity to bring on a new member to serve the village of Hyannis in the New Year. I am grateful for the friendships made over the years, as well as participating in spirited debate over matters brought before us that have shaped our village. I am grateful for the friendships made over the years, as well as participating in spirited debate over matters brought before us that have shaped our village. I leave with one thought. My hope is that today's and future Commission Members will work to preserve what remains of historic value in Hyannis. It has truly been a valued and fulfilling experience for me throughout these 23 years. Thank you to my fellow Board Members past and present, for affording me the opportunity to serve."

Chair Cheryl Powell thanks Marina Atsalis for her time, honor, dedication, energy and service she has put into this Commission.

Betsy Young thanks Marina Atsalis for her years of service.

Taryn Thoman thanks Marina Atsalis for her decades of dedication, service, kindness, wisdom and attention to detail and wishes her every happiness. Congratulations on the Preservation Award from the Barnstable Historic Commission.

Taryn Thoman reads her resignation and comments into record, Exhibit D, (received via email December 9, 2019).
"Please accept this copy of my verbal resignation from the Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission delivered on December 4, 2019 as my official written resignation:

"I want to thank Marina Atsalis for her decades of dedication to this commission. I have personally admired Marina for her kindness, wisdom, and the value of her attention to detail and quality of her contributions. Marina, I wish you every happiness and success in your future endeavors, and thank this board for nominating you for the Preservation Award from the Barnstable Historical Commission. Congratulations to this commission on prevailing in the appeals committee on our decisions on the Verizon applications. Those were by far the most complex issues we have addressed in my 5 ½ years on the board, and our success was due in no small part to the efforts of our Chair, Cheryl Powell, who went to great lengths to protect the interests of the town as well as the credibility of this commission. In addition, Chair Powell was positively fierce in her extensive efforts to see that our voting commissioners had sufficient legal representation from the town. I encourage all commissioners to both thank and support the chair for her tireless work on behalf of the HHDC. I've come to the difficult decision to resign from this commission tonight, effective immediately. I've made my concerns over conflicts of interest and/or the appearance of conflicts of interest here very clear, and as long as regulatory agreements provide an avenue for applicants to demolish our limited historic properties, this commission will remain powerless in efforts of historic preservation. I wish the members of this commission and the people of Barnstable a very happy holiday season filled with fun and laughter, and my very best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year."

Chair Cheryl Powell thanks Taryn Thoman for her service.

Taryn Thoman also states that it is her understanding that Jonathan Kanter has resigned as well, effective immediately.

Next HHDC meeting scheduled for December 18, 2019 and January 15, 2020

Adjournment

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to adjourn, moved by Cecelia Carey, seconded by Taryn Thoman, so voted unanimously.

The meeting ended at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Karen A. Herrand

List of Exhibit Documents

- Exhibit A** – 259 Main St., Hyannis – Map/Par 327/127 – picture of new Comfort Inn signage
- Exhibit B** – 592 Main St., Hyannis – Map/Par 308/073-001 – picture of new sign with bracket
- Exhibit C** – Letter of resignation from Marina Atsalis dated December 4, 2019 (handed out at meeting)
- Exhibit D** – Letter of resignation and comment from Taryn Thoman dated December 8, 2019 (received Dec. 9, 2019, via email)