MINUTES

Easton Historic District Commission Easton, Maryland

October 24, 2016

<u>Members Present:</u> Kurt Herrmann, Chairman, Robert Arnouts, Kevin Gibson, Bill Wieland, Kelly Pezor and Kevin Bateman.

Members Absent: George Koste.

Mr. Herrmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Opening statement given by the Chairman.

The Commission operates under the authority granted to it by section 701 of the Town of Easton Zoning Ordinance. And, I hereby open the record of the public hearing on cases heard this evening and, in accordance with our legal responsibilities, I enter into the record the following items: notice of the public hearing, adopted design guidelines, resumes of commission members and any consultants used by the Commission, records of any previous meetings, and any letters to the Commission on a case.

The decisions of the HDC may be appealed within 30 days of approval. General Order of the hearing of Applications

Introduction of the application by the presiding officer

- Presentation by the applicant or his agent
- Questions by members of the Commission
- Public comment
- *Petitioner rebuttal*
- Discussion and consideration by the Commission
- Decision motion and statement of Basis for Decision

The applicant may withdraw the application at any time up to when the vote is taken. A Certificate of Appropriateness shall lapse upon the expiration of the corresponding Building Permit. For applications that require a building permit but for which none is issued, this Certificate of Appropriateness shall lapse six (6) months after its issuance. In the event a building permit is not required, the Certificate of Appropriateness shall lapse six (6) months from its issuance if substantial work is not underway. For good cause shown, this period may be extended by the Commission.

I will now entertain a motion to accept the agenda for this evening.

The agenda for the October 24, 2016 meeting was approved as amended.

OLD BUSINESS

52-2016 411 Goldsborough Street Sally Heckman, Owner.

Ms. Heckman was before the Commission with a request to remove large dying ash tree leaning toward the power lines in the rear yard, trim large elm tree at side of house and remove small tree in front yard.

Upon motion of Mrs. Pezor seconded by Mr. Wieland the Commission voted 6-0 to approve the application as submitted.

6-2016 122 N. Harrison Street Laurence Claggett, Owner.

Mr. Claggett was before the Commission with a request to replace windows and doors on the rear addition. Mr. Claggett provided the Commission with cut sheets on both. The Commission asked that the grille width in windows be 1 1/8" throughout.

Upon motion of Mr. Arnouts seconded by Mr. Gibson the Commission voted 6-0 to approve the application.

NEW BUSINESS:

81-2016 204 S. Hanson Street Frances Forster, Owner.

Ms. Forster is before the Commission with a request to remove a silver maple that is located between two houses. Ms. Forster provided the Commission with a letter from Bartlett Tree stating that the tree should be removed. She is also requesting to replace fence around the backyard. Proposed fence to be Cedar (dog eared) with larger gap between the boards.

Upon motion of Mr. Arnouts seconded by Mr. Wieland the Commission voted 6-0 to approve the application.

78-2016 23 E. Dover Street Chuck Weider, Contractor.

Mr. Weider explained he is before the Commission with a request to remove the deteriorated wafer board, studs and framing on the side of the building and install new prepainted Hardie Plank Lap Siding. The Commission suggested wood grain siding. The Commission had no issues with the applicant trimming the bushes to allow the work to the building.

Upon motion of Mr. Gibson seconded by Mr. Bateman the Commission voted 6-0 to approve the application as stated above.

83-2016 600 Goldsborough Street Eddy Huang, Owner.

Kelly Pezor recused herself from the meeting to be applicant for Mr. Huang. Mrs. Pezor explained that Mr. Huang the property owner is requesting to install a 12x18 prefabricated storage shed on the rear of the property. Color of shed to match the house. The Commission had concerns about the amount of out-buildings already on the site. The Commission also had questions about the look of the proposed shed.

Upon motion of Mr. Bateman seconded by Mr. Wieland the Commission voted 6-0 to Table the application as more information is required.

82-2016 210 S. Hanson Street Mr. Cooper, Contractor.

Mr. Cooper on behalf of The Boyd's (property owners) was present at the meeting. Mr. Cooper explained he is proposing to construct a two story addition. He stated that the proposed materials would match the existing house in-kind. The Commission asked for cut sheets on the windows and doors and well as trim details. The Commission was pleased

with the proposed project.

Upon motion of Mr. Wieland seconded by Mr. Bateman the Commission voted 6-0 to table the application as more information is needed,

84-2015 18 E. Dover Street First State Signs.

Sean McAllister on behalf of Shore United Bank is before the Commission with a request to install one (1) $3' \times 5'$ sandblasted sign at the rear of the building. Sign to be mounted on the building.

Upon motion of Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Pezor the Commission voted 6-0 to approve the application as submitted.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. by motion of Mr. Gibson and seconded by Mr. Wieland.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie S. Rice Planning Secretary