

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A
SPECIAL MEETING
July 3, 2024
7:00 PM Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Tatoian called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Smyth called the roll. Present for the meeting were Chairperson Richard Tatoian, Vice Chairperson Raymond Gwozdz, Clerk Nancy Smyth, Commissioner Lynda Laureano (Alt) Absent: Commissioner Lillian Troiano (Alt), Commissioner Marie Troiano, Commissioner Colleen Reidy, Commissioner Linda Fallon (Alt) Commissioner Lynda Laureano was seated as a regular voting member.

FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairperson Tatoian read the fire evacuation announcement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES A. March 27, 2024

Commissioner Laureano motioned to approve the minutes of March 27, 2024. Commissioner Gwozdz seconded the motion. Commissioner Smyth Abstained. The minutes were approved.

Vote: 3-0-1

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chairperson Tatoian opened the meeting for public participation. There was no public participation.

READING OF LEGAL NOTICE

Clerk Smyth read the legal notice.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. HDC# 492 - 1424 Enfield Street - Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the repair of the Chimney; Caitlynn and Anthony Velasquez, Applicant/Owner; Map 18/Lot 100; HR-33 Zone

Commissioner Laureano motioned to open the hearing to the public. Commissioner Smyth seconded the motion. All in favor.

Vote: 4-0-0

Caitlyn and Anthony Velasquez 1424 Enfield Street spoke on behalf of the application.

Mrs. Velasquez noted they had their chimney inspected. They found the top layers have come undone. They also need to replace the cap for it to be safe and functional. They are going to replace the grout. They will be using the same bricks.

Chairperson Tatoian noted they have one of the oldest houses in Enfield.

Commissioner Gwozdz asked how much will be replaced.

Mrs. Velasquez noted it will be four levels of Bricks.

Mr. Velasquez stated the chimney from the basement to the roof had been replaced. Above the roof had not been finished. The cap will be to protect the chimney. There are two working fireplaces in the home – one is wood, and one is gas.

Chairperson Tatoian questioned how many fireplaces are in the house.

Mrs. Velasquez noted there were four additional fireplaces, but they have been closed off.

Commissioner Gwozdz confirmed there are no damaged bricks they are aware of and are replacing in kind.

Commissioner Gwozdz motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Laureano seconded the motion. All in favor. The hearing was closed.

Vote: 4-0-0

B. HDC# 493 - 1274 Enfield Street - Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the replacement of the front door; Frank and Elaine Kosa, Applicant/Owner; Map 19/Lot 65; HR-33 Zone

Clerk Smyth read the legal notice.

Commissioner Smyth motioned to open the hearing to the public. Commissioner Laureano seconded the motion. All in favor.

Vote: 4-0-0

Elaine Kosa 1274 Enfield Street spoke on behalf of the application.

Chairperson Tatoian stated the records show the home was built in 1900, but he does not believe that was correct based on the architecture of the house.

Mrs. Kosa stated there are two records – one states 1820 and another that says 1900.

Chairperson Tatoian noted the style of the house is not from 1900, he recommended going to the assessor and asking how the assessor produced the date. It could be when an addition was added.

Mrs. Kosa stated their front door is deteriorating. It is not a standard sized door. They needed to get a smaller door. The contractor is going to add strips to make the door fit.

Commissioner Gwozdz asked how much strip will be added to the frame.

Mrs. Kosa stated it is a small amount and he will match it as close as possible, so it is not noticeable. The decorative frame will remain around the door.

Mrs. Kosa noted the only thing that will change is the color from a barn red to black. There is a front latch on the outside currently. The hardware is almost the same. She may go with a black hardware. It will be a solid wood door like the current door.

Chairperson Tatoian opened the hearings to the public.

There was no public participation.

Commissioner Smyth motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Laureano seconded the motion. All in favor. The hearing was closed.

Vote: 4-0-0

The commission considered the hearings for approval:

Commissioner Gwozdz noted it is an in-kind replacement with a cap that is a safety requirement.

Commissioner Smyth motioned to approve HDC# 492 - 1424 Enfield Street - Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the repair of the Chimney; Caitlynn and Anthony Velasquez, Applicant/Owner; Map 18/Lot 100; HR-33 Zone. Commissioner Gwozdz seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Application was approved.

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Commissioner Gwozdz noted besides a slight size difference, there are no major impacts.

Commissioner Smyth motioned to approve HDC# 493 - 1274 Enfield Street - Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the replacement of the front door; Frank and Elaine Kosa, Applicant/Owner; Map 19/Lot 65; HR-33 Zone. Commissioner Laureano seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Application was approved.

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OTHER BUSINESS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PLANNING STAFF REPORT

None

ENFORCEMENT REPORTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gwozdz motioned to adjourn at 7:26 PM. Commissioner Laureano seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

Vote: 4-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,
Alexis Nai
Recording Secretary