



Planning, Zoning, & Historic Preservation

Mayor Jared M. Kraham

Dr. Juliet Berling, Director
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SUMMARY OF MINUTES THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON THE COMMISSION ON ARCHITECTURE & URBAN DESIGN	
MEETING DATE: May 3, 2022	LOCATION: Planning Conference Room, City Hall; Zoom
CALLED TO ORDER: 12:05 p.m.	RECORDER OF MINUTES: S. Costick and S. McGee

ROLL CALL		
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
K. Ellsworth (chair)	X	
J. Darrow (vice-chair)	X	
M. E. Mauro		X
M. Atchie	X	
M. Lombardini	X	
D. Nead	X	
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:	TITLE & DEPARTMENT:	
J. Berling	Director, Planning Department	
S. McGee	Historic Preservation & Neighborhood Planner, Planning Department	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
MOTION: To approve the April 5, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes		
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M. Lombardini	VOTE: PASSED (5-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

BUSINESS ITEM	
ADDRESS: 209 State Street	CASE NUMBER: CAUD-2022-09
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Certificate of Appropriateness to rehabilitate the vacant building to both commercial and residential use.	
DISCUSSION POINTS & THOSE SPEAKING: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff presented the application. • The applicant seeks to rehabilitate the building back to its original façade and return transom windows back in above and beside the garage door • K. Ellsworth asked about garage door • Elise Johnson-Schmidt explained • Elise Johnson-Smith added she is confident this restoration will contribute to the efforts being done to restore State Street 	

PUBLIC COMMENT:		
▪ Elise Johnson-Schmidt from Johnson-Schmidt & Associates, Architects, speaking on behalf of the application.		
VOTING		
MOTION: To approve the application for renovation/restoration of 209-211 State Street as presented.		
Amendment to original motion: drawings will be submitted to the Commission for the southwest potential door cut-in at ground level for approval.		
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M. Lombardini	VOTE: (5-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

BUSINESS ITEM		
ADDRESS: 17 Murray Street	CASE NUMBER: CAUD-2022-10	
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Certificate of Appropriateness		
DISCUSSION POINTS & THOSE SPEAKING:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff presented application. Staff stated the application was consistent with the Guidelines. • Brent stated the colors for the home would be a naval color on top of the home, a needlepoint navy color on the bottom of the home, and the trim colors for the home would be a classic white bluff. It was a historic color choice through Sherwin Williams • Brent states they are leaving everything as is except the balcony on the left of the home has suffered tremendous damage with floor rot and water is pouring from the balcony onto the first floor. Wants to repair that, give it a slight elevation, so the water drains properly. • The cedar shake is on its last leg, so they would like to seal and give it a nice color. 		
PUBLIC COMMENT:		
▪ Brent Hannum, speaking on behalf of the application.		
VOTING		
MOTION: To approve the project for 17 Murray Street, in its entirety, as presented.		
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M. Lombardini	VOTE: (5-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

BUSINESS ITEM		
ADDRESS: 17 Front Street	CASE NUMBER: CAUD-2022-11	
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Certificate of Appropriateness		
DISCUSSION POINTS & THOSE SPEAKING:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff presented the application. Staff stated the application was consistent with the Design Guidelines • K. Ellsworth asked if there a rendering of the installation of the chairlift • Staff responded, there is no rendering • K. Ellsworth asked if site approval was needed • Staff responded, no site approval needed • J. Darrow stated that his experience with chairlifts, after a couple years they will need to have a covering or housing unit for the lift, to keep it from becoming dysfunctional due to weather • Bishop Simpson responded that the unit they have picked is designed for outside use, and to withstand all weather conditions • K. Ellsworth asked staff if there was a color for the lift • Staff responded, it will be a beige coloring • Asked staff if there was a way the applicant could provide graphic representation on what it would look like 		

- Staff responded with they can ask, but not sure because applicant is not working with a design service
- John asked the height of the lift
- Bishop Simpson said he was not sure of the exact footage, but it will align perfectly with the ramp for easy on/off transitions
- Members voiced concern on what it's actually going to look like

PUBLIC COMMENT:
 ▪ Bishop Simpson, New Heights Ministries, speaking on behalf of the application.

VOTING

MOTION: To approve the proposal for the restoration and preservation of the masonry, in-kind, for 17 Front Street as proposed and to approve the lift as proposed with an addendum that Photoshop images be presented of its actual appearance against the side of the building, for final approval, and a strong recommendation to consider a covering for the lift.

FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M. Lombardini	VOTE: (5-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None

OTHER BUSINESS

- Staff reminded the Commission about submitting their resumes.
- J. Darrow asked about Local Landmarks.
- K. Ellsworth asked about the Security Mutual Building.
- J. Darrow asked about the Masonic Temple.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.		TIME: 12:50pm
FIRST: J. Darrow	SECOND: M. Lombardini	VOTE: (5-0-0)
AYE(S): All	NAY(S): None	ABSTENTION(S): None