



MINUTES

Historic Preservation Commission

January 26, 2023 7:00 pm

Virtual Meeting

The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled public hearing on January 26, 2023 as a virtual public meeting. **Chair** Leahy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Tim Leahy, Kevin Smith, Bobbi Collins, Dr. Wil Scott, Leslie Xavier, Kim Finch, William Williams

Staff Present:

John Tower, Chief of Historic Preservation, Jacquelyn Rouse, Senior Planner, Office of Planning and Zoning

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Leahy introduced the commissioners and staff. He stated the Commission's purpose pursuant to the authority of the land use articles.

A. OTHER BUSINESS

1. 69 Prince George Street/Captain William H. Burtis House – Melanie Hartwig-Davis/HD Squared Architects, LLC – Phase 1.

The Phase 1 design for the "mothballing" of the historic Burtis House at City Dock was presented by Melanie Hartwig- Davis (HD Squared Architects) and Laura Houston (Preservation Maryland) . Commissioners discussed the foundation design, which entailed a combination of plain concrete block (CMU) and brick veneer. Extension of the brick treatment to the current grade level was suggested, since the eventual grade level

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is not known at this time. This will avoid an exposed CMU foundation, which is not consistent with the house and guidelines. Commissioners also discussed the areas on the facade that will remain after demolition of two wings. The design treatment is blank sheathing, which is considered temporary. In Phase 1, plans are in place to add murals to these areas, and it was noted that separate applications will be needed for the murals. Eventual new construction will likely cover these blank areas. Demolition and temporary fencing designs were also discussed and no issues were noted. Phase 1 plans also include vented temporary windows. The applicant was asked to provide a current window survey as well as the detailed design of the vent pattern, which should be simple and consistent. Also, the applicant was reminded that several other permits and easements will need to be in the record before the final HPC application is presented.

B. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

Chair Leahy reported that he has received confirmation from the Maryland Historical Trust that grant funding for the purpose of rewriting the guidelines could be possible, and applications for funding begin in February. He will be working on the grant application as well as continuing the search for additional consultants.

C. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission is scheduled for February 14, 2023 at 7:00 pm as a virtual meeting.

Kimberly Consoli, Recorder

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