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**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS
NEWTONVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

DATE: January 7, 2021

PLACE/TIME: Full Remote Zoom Meeting
7:30 p.m.

ATTENDING: Jim Gross, Chair
Ralph Abele, Member
Mark Chudy, Member
John Martin, Member
Dave Morton, Member
Barbara Wales, Member
Tarik Lucas, Alternate
Barbara Kurze, Commission Staff

ABSENT: Nancy Grissom, Member
Peter Mooradian, Alternate

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with Jim Gross presiding as Chair. Voting permanent members were R. Abele, M. Chudy, J. Martin, D. Morton, and B. Wales. Alternate T. Lucas was appointed to vote as full member. B. Kurze acted as recording secretary and the meeting was digitally recorded on Zoom.

56 Central Avenue – Certificate of Appropriateness

David Spertner presented an application to remove the secondary chimney at the back of the house which was tilted and was not being used. The larger chimney on the right side would remain.

Materials Reviewed:

Photographs
MHC Form B

Commission members agreed that the removal of the secondary chimney was appropriate. R. Abele moved to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for the application as submitted. B. Wales seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

RECORD OF ACTION:

DATE: January 8, 2021

SUBJECT: 56 Central Avenue – Certificate of Appropriateness

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on January 7, 2021 the Newtonville Historic District Commission, by roll call vote of 6-0.

RESOLVED to **grant** a Certificate of Appropriateness for the application as submitted for 56 Central Avenue remove the rear chimney.

Voting in the Affirmative:

Jim Gross, Chair

Ralph Abele, Member

John Martin, Member

David Morton, Member

Barbara Wales, Member

Tarik Lucas, Alternate

M. Chudy entered the meeting.

161 Walnut Street – Certificate of Appropriateness (Violation)

This review was continued from previous meetings. Benny Lu presented an application to mitigate the changes to the second-story three-season porch and new windows which are in violation. The owners are proposing replacing the single left side window with a triple window made up of one-over-one windows.

Materials Reviewed:

Photographs

Sketches

Product information

Commission members agreed that the submitted materials were not detailed enough and did not clearly show what the final construction and appearance would be. The Commission needed to see detailed sketches with measurements for the enclosed area, windows, trim and mullions. They required that trim details from the triple window below be copied. The Commission required that the enclosed area be filled in with three equal sized windows. The trim details were required to match what was below and to match the following dimensions: 1) the vertical trim width; 2) the mullion width; 3) the width of the horizontal trim at the bottom; and 4) the width of the horizontal trim at the top. There was discussion about whether the installation needed to be centered over the triple windows below. Commission members identified the required measurements. The owner agreed in writing to continue the review to a future regularly scheduled meeting.

Administrative Discussion

Minutes: The December meeting minutes were approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Recorded by B. Kurze, Senior Preservation Planner