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Meeting Notice

Bayonne Historic Preservation Commission

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Dorothy Harrington Council Chambers, 630 Avenue C,
Bayonne, New Jersey 07002

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting
3. Review of correspondence
4. Request(s) for comments from Zoning Board of Adjustment and/or Planning Board
5. Updates on historic properties
6. Any other business
7. Adjournment

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Bayonne Historic Preservation Commission, Dorothy Harrington Council Chambers, 630 Avenue C, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002

Call to order: Chairman Gerry Nowicki called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. He read the statement specifying that the meeting was being held in accordance with the terms of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.

Roll call: Commissioners present: Gerry Nowicki, Lee Fahley, Kelly Sweeney, and Frank McGady. **Commissioners absent:** Keri Toomey, Maria Valado, and Rob Russo. **Commissioners absent:** Alternates present: Donna Holovach and Jessica Driscoll (by telephone). **Also present:** Staff Secretary Joseph E. Ryan. **Not present:** Counsel Donna Russo.

Chairman Nowicki thanked the City Council Members for attending the previous meeting, at which they helped distribute plaques to representatives of historic properties.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Commissioner Fahley moved to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Alternate Holovach seconded the motion. The minutes were adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

Updates on historic properties:

The Elco Crane: Commissioner Sweeney said that she and Commissioner Toomey are working on a Google document on the significance of the Elco Crane. Another crane in New Jersey is on the Register of Historic Places. They are using that as a guide for their research. Commissioner Sweeney has found the owners of that other crane. Chairman Nowicki asked that Alternate Driscoll be involved in the project with a view towards a plan for maintaining the crane. Public Works Director Cotter should be contacted. The City's lawyers need to develop a document that establishes the City's ownership of the crane. Commissioner Fahley said there was a need to talk to former Mayor Doria about this issue.

Other properties: Commissioner Fahley mentioned his interest in the Lockwood Building at 35th Street and Broadway.

Alternate Holovach said she is working on a nomination of a house in the Bergen Point area, and will put the information into the format for potential designations.

Commissioners referenced a group of twelve homes in the Bergen Point area that were built in a group in the 19th century. Two of the homes on 8th Street (104-106 and 120 West 8th Street) have already been landmarked.

Commissioner McGady discussed houses from the 1880's on Avenue C between 36th and 37th Street. These houses include the former home of the late City Clerk, William C. Hamilton, and a building referred to as "the scientist's house." He also observed that the Downtown Jersey City area, which includes many historic buildings, has also experienced a lot of recent construction. Chairman Nowicki said that the Commission has advocated the adaptive reuse of historic buildings.

Commissioner Fahley asked Staff Secretary Ryan to find out the meaning of various Building Department signs with symbols that are posted on certain buildings in Bayonne.

In honor of the date of the meeting, 2-22-22, Commissioner Fahley read out various notes of historical importance. In 1797, women who owned property were allowed to vote in New Jersey. In 1870, the railroad bridge was constructed over the Passaic River. In 1922, WOR Radio began to operate out of Bamberger's Department Store in Newark.

Chairman Nowicki advised the community that the Bayonne Historical Society would be presenting a program on Tuesday, March 8, at the library, featuring Deputy County Register Lisa Prusko. The program was scheduled to provide information on deeds and mortgages, and researching the history of one's house.

Adjournment: Commissioner Fahley moved to adjourn. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. By a unanimous voice vote, the Commissioners voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

**CITY OF BAYONNE
SITE PLAN REFERRAL
AND
REQUEST FOR RECOMMENDATION**
*****E-mail will be sent with One-Drive electronic file share*****

☐ Richard Bielinski
Building Construction Official

Date: March 15, 2022
Application number: P-22-001

☐ Joseph Coughlin
Fire Sub-Code Official

Applicant Name: 1888 STUDIOS, LLC

☒ Joseph Ryan
Historic Preservation Commission

Site address: 1ST Street & Avenue A
Block 332/3; 360/2, 390 1&2
390/1

☐ Gary Chmielewski
Municipal Services Director

☐ Robert Zawistowski
Bayonne Environmental Commission

☐ Robert Russo, P.E.
City Engineer

☐ Malvika Apte, PP, AICP
Consulting City Planner

Attorney for Applicant:
Matthew Posada, Esq.

☒ **Planning Board**

☐ Zoning Board of Adjustment

Application and site plan for your consideration.

The Administrator has placed the matter on the agenda for the meeting of April 30, 2022
Please provide your comment by: March 22, 2022

COMMENTS: (Use separate sheet if necessary)

Dated: _____

Signed: _____

From: Joseph Coughlin
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 4:08 PM
To: Joe Ryan <jryan@baynj.org>
Subject: Placards

Joe:
FYI

A placard with an open square shall signify that the building had normal structural conditions at the date of the inspection.

A placard with a single diagonal slash shall signify that there are interior hazards to the structure and that interior firefighting operations should be conducted with extreme caution.

A placard with an “X” in the square shall signify that there are significant structural deficiencies within the building, limiting firefighting to exterior operations only, “...with entry only occurring for known life hazards”