

Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
January 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes
Oak Park Village Hall, Room 215 – 7:30 pm

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Committee Members Sandra Carr, Lou Garapolo, and Aleksandra Tadic, and Noel Weidner
ABSENT: Committee Member Noel Weidner
STAFF: Susie Trexler, Historic Preservation Urban Planner

Acting Chair Rebecca Houze attended to observe.

B. MINUTES

Committee member Garapolo requested an edit to the minutes, clarifying that for item D (241 Wesley), the windows will be six inches apart. Committee member Carr agreed.

Motion by Tadic to approve minutes of the December 18, 2019. Second by Carr. Motion approved 3-0.

AYE: Carr, Garapolo, and Tadic

NAY: None

C. 327 Home Ave (Mazola Family, LLC): Certificate of Appropriateness to enlarge basement window on the side elevation to allow egress as part of larger interior renovation project (Ridgeland-Oak Park Historic District).

Manny Ganaden was present on behalf of the architect. Mr. Ganaden described the project to the Committee, explaining that they are adding additional living space within the basement, which is currently a storage area. The window will be enlarged to meet the light and vent requirement. The proposed plans do not need added egress.

Committee members Carr and Tadic agreed that the egress was the point of confusion for the Historic Preservation Commission. Committee member Carr asked about the windows that will be replaced. Planner Trexler said as they will not change in size, they do not require a Certificate of Appropriateness. Mr. Ganaden explained the window type proposed.

Motion by Committee member Carr to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness to enlarge the basement-level window at 327 Home Ave as proposed. Second by Committee member Tadic. Motion approved 3-0.

AYE: Carr, Garapolo, and Tadic

NAY: None

D. Other Business

Committee member Garapolo told the Committee that he received an update on the Hill Motor Sales building. The developer no longer plans to preserve the historic façade. It was noted that the Committee members may attend meetings and submit comments as members of the public.

E. Adjourn

Motion by Committee member Tadic to adjourn. Second by Committee member Carr.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Minutes prepared by Susie Trexler, Historic Preservation Urban Planner.