

Historic Preservation Review Board – September 12, 2007 @ 7:00 PM

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was called to order by Chair, Mary Jane Anderson, at 7:05 PM at Town Hall.

Chair Anderson called the roll.

Members present: Mary Jane Anderson, Chair; David Waldron, Kevin Peterson, and Michael Jean Carpentier

Also Present: Sandy Strehlou, HPRB Coordinator

Minutes

Minutes for the HPRB meeting of August 8, 2007 were approved
Minutes for the HPRB meeting of July 25, 2007 were approved with minor corrections.

Staff Report

HPRB Coordinator Sandy Strehlou informed the board of an administrative review allowing Ron Boe to remove a “lean to” or shed from the Aliva Carter house (blue) at 470 Argyle Avenue.

Churchill Corner Field Observation

After introducing the subject of the field observation of Churchill Corner and requesting that the board consider: 1) What is different from the approved plan? 2) What is different from our expectations? 3) How could the design review process have been conducted more effectively? Coordinator Sandy Strehlou excused herself due to illness at approximately 7:15 PM

With clipboards and the approved plans the board walked to Churchill Corner and compared each side of the project to the plans that the board had approved.

After the field observation David Waldron departed. 8:00 PM

The remaining board members returned to Town Hall and discussed the differences between the plans and the outcome.

Most notable were the mechanical protrusions including vents, a large round silver colored object on the roof and air conditioning units. In some cases siding was changed from masonry to wood. Some changes in dormers and windows were apparent. Canopies and landscaping were not in place yet.

In retrospect the board would have liked to mitigate the mass of the project more by possibly requiring a setback from the street or giving separate quadrants of the project each their own separate architectural signature.

The board agreed with Strehlou that the mechanical protrusions needed to be masked. The board also agreed that the mechanism for having changes to plans documented and approved by the board that Strehlou has developed will be helpful in letting applicants know that they must seek approval for changes.

Mary Jane Anderson, Chair

Peggy Sue McRae
9:00: Meeting adjourned