

**CITY OF NEWBURGH
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION**

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**ARCHITETURAL REVIEW COMMISSION meeting of
July 14, 2009**

The regular meeting of the City of Newburgh **Architectural Review Commission** was held on **Tuesday, July 14, 2009** at 7:30 pm in the Activity Center at 401 Washington Street, Newburgh, New York.

Members Present: Mary Crabb, Chairperson
Brigidanne Flynn
Paula Stevens
John Ledwith, IV
Michele Basch

Members Absent: Peter King

Also Present: Michelle Kelson, Assistant Corporation Counsel

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm, after a quorum was confirmed.

NEW BUSINESS

AR 2009-28 **158 Grand Street**
To repair and renovate existing basement
Applicant: Nicole Chung

DISCUSSION

Applicant wants to upgrade the basement by removing walls and ceiling to improve electricity and remove closet to add space to the room. She is here to receive approval to appear before the Zoning Board.

A motion to recommend an appearance before the Zoning Board was made by John Ledwith IV and seconded by Brigidanne Flynn.

The motion passed 5-0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

AR 2009-29

30 Bush Avenue

To install new windows, gutters, exterior door and landscaping.

Applicant: Torry Williams

DISCUSSION

The Chairperson of the Board opened the Public Hearing by reading the text of the notice.

Mr. Williams appeared with a plan to install vinyl double hung windows, all the same size. The bottom two are 6/9, top 4, 6/6, 2 casement windows, 4 awning windows and 3 stationary windows. The windows near the patio are sliding. He wants to replace the basement and bathroom with privacy glass. The windows have been placed on order and will come in early August. He preferred vinyl because they are more efficient than wood and more cost effective. He also wants to replace the exterior door with a solid, not a French Door, install a storm door and replace the gutters in kind and use some mulch and rocks to landscape. The door has not been ordered yet.

There was a comment from the public by Mr. Brian Flannery in connection with this application. Mr. Flannery said he dropped off a homeowners' package at least a few months ago. He suggested if the Commission approves replacement windows, they stick with all 6/9 windows so harmony is restored to the area. City Charter notes existence of this area is to promote interest in the city. Most visitors like the French Doors. Brigidanne Flynn agreed and stated she believes it is a living part of our heritage. Mr. Flannery was also concerned that as part of the landscaping, the hedges would be removed.

Mr. Williams was advised by John Ledwith, IV to maintain the sizes and originality of the windows and door, to stay with the type of door that is there. The Commission suggested he stop the work order for the vinyl windows and think about wooden windows. If cost is a concern, Mary Crabb suggested that Mr. Williams do only a few windows at a time. Mr. Williams said he would discuss the windows and door with his wife. It was suggested that he come back before the Commission concerning the door, windows and come back with samples and pictures.

A motion to table part of the application concerning the windows and door and to approve the gutter repair and minor landscaping was made by Brigidanne Flynn and seconded by Paula Stevens.

The motion passed 5-0.

AR 2009-30 **271 Broadway**
To remove existing cedar siding and replace with synthetic cedar siding.
Applicant: Arthur Vincent & Sons
Owner: Church of the Good Shepherd

No one was present concerning this application.

AR 2009-31 **111 Broadway**
To install a sign advertising the Ann Street Gallery. dimensions of the sign are three feet by four feet, red aluminum over plywood with an aluminum mounting arm, two inches by fifty inches.
Applicant: Safe Harbors of the Hudson

DISCUSSION

The Chairperson of the Board opened the Public Hearing by reading the text of the notice.

Ms. Ramona Monteverde appeared for Safe Harbors of the Hudson. It was noted that there were two gooseneck lights where the sign will go. They will install a red sign, forty eight by thirty six by two inches, with an aluminum mounting arm.

There were no comments from the public concerning this application.

A motion was made by John Ledwith, IV to approve this application and to include the two existing gooseneck lights. It was seconded by Brigidanne Flynn.

The motion passed 5-0.

AR 2009-32 **161 Bayview Terrace**
To replace 37 windows in kind. Paint the exterior and front porch and masonry in kind.
Applicant: Rodney Gaspard

DISCUSSION

The Chairperson of the Board opened the Public Hearing by reading the text of the notice.

Mr. Rodney Gaspard, Mr. Alexander Torres and Mr. Sears appeared before the

Commission. They want to install 37 new windows in kind, repair masonry that is chipped and paint the porch in kind with the same colors. The colors will be Glidden Brick Red GL6112 and Behr Tan 4440. Applicant also questioned whether they could put up a back deck that they think was original to the building. Since this was not part of the application, it was suggested they do some research on the back deck and come back at another time for the deck.

There were no comments from the public concerning this application.

A motion was made by Michele Basch to approve this application and seconded by Paula Stevens.

The motion passed 5-0.

AR 2009-33

101 Liberty Street

To replace existing and missing white letters with "Mrs. Max Boutique" in the existing metal channel above the store's display/front windows.

Applicant: Leetha Berchielli

Owner: Galina Dementev

DISCUSSION

The Chairperson of the Board opened the Public Hearing by reading the text of the notice.

Ms. Leetha Berchielli appeared before the Commission to replace letters on the building of her business. The letters will read, "Mrs. Max Boutique" on the front of the building and "Mrs. Max" on the side. They will be made out of vinyl clad fiberboard, Gothic style, white and centrally placed in the metal channels on top of the store windows.

There were no comments from the public concerning this application.

A motion was made by Brigidanne Flynn to approve this application and seconded by Michele Basch.

The motion passed 5-0.

AR 2009-34

96 Johnston Street

To replace 3 windows, white, vinyl clad, no grills, in front of building.

Applicant: Michael Serinsky

DISCUSSION

The Chairperson of the Board opened the Public Hearing by reading the text of the notice.

Mr. Michael Serinsky appeared before the Commission. He was asked by the Building Department to change the top three windows. He wants to replace the windows with vinyl double hung windows similar to the building next to his. It was recommended that he get vinyl clad over wood and the difference between the two was explained to him. He agreed to change his application to include 3 wood clad in vinyl or aluminum with a one over one configuration.

There were no comments from the public concerning this application.

A motion was made by John Ledwith, IV to approve this application as changed and seconded by Michele Basch.

The motion passed 5-0.

AR 2009-35

120 Grand Street

To install artwork on doors and windows of building.

Artwork to be printed onto vinyl material, fastened onto thin plywood or comparable material and then fastened to existing boards on doors and windows.

Applicant: Heritage Corridor Development Initiative

Owner: 120 Grand Street, LLC

DISCUSSION

Ms. Jane Johnston and Ms. Sue Young appeared before the Commission. They would like to take art work, done on vinyl, and place it on the front façade, boarded up windows and door. There are three windows on the second floor, two on the first, two in the basement and one door. The vinyl will be placed onto the boards with grommets. It was stated by the Commission that they are just approving the installation, not the theme of the art work. A question was raised concerning the conformity of the gray boards that the city requires, if there would be a problem between the owner and city. Michelle Kelson, Assistant Corporation Counsel, said there would not be a problem.

There were two comments from the public concerning this application. Ms. Leetha Berchielli stated that she would hope to see this all around the city. Ms. Lynn Eberly questioned the theme and originality of the artwork. This question does not come under the scope of the Commission as they are only approving the installation.

An original signature from the owner of the building, Jerry Sanchez, is to be submitted as they did not provide an application with an original signature.

A motion was made by Brigidanne Flynn to approve this application and seconded by Michele Basch.

The motion passed 5-0

OTHER BUSINESS

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2009 meeting was made by Paula Stevens and seconded by John Ledwith, IV. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan Mason".

Joan Mason
Secretary
Architectural Review Commission