

Stamford Harbor Management Commission – Applications Review Committee Minutes Draft

Date: December 1, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Stamford Government Center
888 Washington Blvd.
Stamford, CT 06901
Operations Conference Room – 10th Floor

Roll Call: In Attendance were: Committee Chairman Griffith Trow; Committee members Commissioners Paul Adelberg, Robert Karp, and Mike Pensiero; Consultant Geoff Steadman; and OSS Maria Vazquez-Goncalves.

Guests: Bernard Nussbaum, Robert Cruz and Attorney John Casey

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Trow at 6:00 p.m.

1. Review and Approval of November 3, 2014 Meeting Minutes

**Karp moved to approve November 3, 2014 Meeting Minutes.
Seconded by Adelberg Unanimously Approved**

2. Discussion of new information/materials regarding Application re: 104 Sea Beach Road. Committee Chairman Trow summarized the previous discussion stating that the fence as it is was not consistent with the Harbor Management Plan. The presentation is to be limited to information that was not available previously. Attorney John Casey, Mr. Nussbaum-Property Owner and Mr. Cruz, presented several videos of the location to show the safety concerns of the area pertaining to Mr. Nussbaum's property. Mr. Nussbaum explained that with the fence there it prevents people from walking to the area of rocks in front of his property to go fishing, particularly when the tide comes up people get caught up on the rocks and have to go through his property in order to get to safety. Mr. Nussbaum explained no one is preventing them from fishing in the area that is public access; he just wants to prevent people from getting hurt. Extensive discussion occurred. Committee will present their recommendation to the SHMC that the portion of the fence installed within the public trust area is not consistent with the Harbor Management Plan.

3. Discussion of Walter Drive Zoning Board Application 208-06 Modification (S3)-Lighting Plan. Committee Chairman Trow explained that this application was previously reviewed and determined that there was not enough information to discuss. Then the committee was contacted by Deb Gorenflo, Administrative Assistant for the Zoning Board, stating they were putting it back on their agenda and suggested the SHMC to review it again, and provide comments on this application. It was communicated to her that the matter would be placed on tonight's agenda and that she should so notify the applicant so that a representative could provide further information. No representative of the applicant attended the meeting. Committee discussed prior concerns such as of the strength of the lighting, and the direction of the lighting. The committee does not have sufficient information to find the application consistent with the HMP. If the applicant would like to provide further information to this application, the committee would review it then.

4. Discussion of Application 214-33 – High Ridge Real Estate Owner, LLC – Text change. Determined this application appeared to be beyond the geographical jurisdiction of the SHMC. Any future application-text change that may fall within the SHMC geographical jurisdiction, the SHMC reserves the right to review.
5. Update on Committee protocols, procedures and application forms. Committee discussed a road map to protocols, site visits, and FOI rules. Also, discussed pre-applications, procedural recommendations and reviewing applications in their entirety, not in sections/parts.
6. Next scheduled committee meeting will be on Monday, January 5, 2015.

**Commissioner Adelberg made a motion to adjourn at 8:36 p.m.
Seconded by Karp Unanimously Approved**

Respectfully Submitted by
Maria Vazquez-Goncalves
December 2, 2014