Town of Harwich

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Historic District and Historical Commission Minutes Monday December 30, 2019 Griffin Room Public Hearing

I. Call to Order

Members Present: Chairperson Mary Maslowski, Vice Chairperson Gayle Carroll, Julia Eldredge, Bob

Doane, & Jeanne Steiner (Remote on phone)
Members Absent: Bob Bradley, Brendan Lowney

Chairperson Mary Maslowski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Recording and Taping Notification: As required by law, the Town may audio or video record this meeting. Any person intending to either audio or video record this open session is required to inform the Chair.

II. Public Hearing

A. Hearings

1. Continued from 11/20/2019 & 12/18/2019 - HH2019-24 Notice of Intent (NOI) has been received for 240 Route 28, Map 12, Parcel B3, in the C-H-1 Zone. The application proposes 100% demolition of the former thrift shop and residence. The application is pursuant to the Code of the Town of Harwich Chapter 131, Historic Preservation, Article II., Roman Catholic Bishop of Fall River, as Owner, Bishop Edgar Moreira da Cunha as Applicant.

Ms. Maslowski opened the Public Hearing at 6:01pm.

Ms. Maslowski read a letter from Mr. Joseph Nolan into the record, requesting that the Board vote on the application in order to start the clock on the 365 day demolition delay.

Lenny Calbeck asked if there will be any further hearings on the application if the Board votes today. Ms. Maslowski explained that there would be no further hearings unless the applicant returned to ask that the delay be lifted.

Dan Goodin stated that he has contacted the representatives of the Church, but has gotten no response. He hopes that they are making a good faith effort to save the home. Ms. Maslowski stated that the Church did reach out to the Affordable Housing Trust, but they are not ready to finalize any transaction.

Mr. Doane moved to close the Public Hearing. 2nd by Mrs. Eldredge and approved by roll call vote 4-0-0 (Maslowski, Doane, Eldredge, & Steiner).

Mr. Doane moved to impose a demolition delay of 365 days on application HH2019-24. 2nd by Mrs. Eldredge and approved by roll call vote 4-0-0 (Maslowski, Doane, Eldredge, & Steiner).

B. Briefings and Reports by Board Members / Staff

- 1. Other Boards & Commission Update
- 2. Sub-committee updates
- 3. Updates from Board members

There were no updates.

III. Adjourn- The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Mrs. Eldredge moved to adjourn at 6:13 p.m., 2nd by Mr. Doane and approved by roll call vote 5-0-0.

Submitted by:

Amy Banford, Recording Secretary

Adopted on: February 19, 2020