



**HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION**  
**Public Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 7, 2021**  
**Virtual Public Meeting**

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Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk's office, the Town of Concord Historic Districts Commission held a virtual public meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. using the Zoom meeting platform. Meeting ID: 875 6333 5996 Meeting Password: 791148

Commission Members Present: Luis Berrizbeitia, Nea Glenn, Peter Nobile, Melinda Shumway, Paul Ware

Associate Members Present: Kate Chartener, Dennis Fiori, Abigail Flanagan, Katharine Mast

Members Absent:

Staff: Heather Carey, Administrative Assistant

Peter Nobile called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Voting Members for the meeting were Mr. Berrizbeitia, Ms. Glenn, Mr. Nobile, Ms. Shumway, and Mr. Ware

### **NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **53 Cambridge Turnpike – American Mile Historic District, to install mailbox**

Chair Nobile opened the hearing and reviewed the application. Tom Putnam with the Concord Museum appeared for the hearing. He explained that they have officially changed their address from Lexington Road to Cambridge Turnpike and need to relocate their mailbox. The mailbox must be located on the opposite side of the street, so they are proposing to install it on the other side of the crosswalk. Mr. Putnam explained that the mailbox would have a granite post as shown in the proposed example. Mr. Ware stated that the mailbox was appropriate. Ms. Glenn had no issues with the proposed mailbox but thought that the color should match the Concord Museum color palate. Ms. Shumway and Ms. Chartener were in favor of the proposed mailbox. Mr. Berrizbeitia thought that the mailbox should have the number and street listed to make it easier for visitors to find their way. Mr. Fiori, Ms. Mast, and Ms. Flanagan did not have any objections.

Chair Nobile opened the hearing for public comment and there was none.

Mr. Berrizbeitia moved to approve the application of the Concord Museum to install a mailbox with the option for adding the street name to the mailbox at 53 Cambridge Turnpike. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0) by a roll call vote.

Documents used during public hearing: Proposed mailbox, site drawing, existing photo

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Other**

The Commission agreed to cancel the January 21, 2021 meeting because there are no continuances, no new applications, and no urgent items to discuss.

Expanding the Historic Districts – Jennie Dugan Acres: Chair Nobile stated that he spoke with Matt Andersen-Miller and felt that the neighborhood wasn't ready to take the next step. He noted that he was planning to revise the FAQ sheet and would like to send that out accompanied by a letter to the neighborhood. Mr. Ware thought that the Commission should include the survey results that they have

already received and other Commission Members agreed. The Commission discussed the merits of having this historic neighborhood and what that might look like in the future. The Commission questioned whether a coherent district can be created if the properties are not contiguous and wondered aloud what the Planning Boards involvement is with the warrant article. Chair Nobile proposed in the meantime sending a letter along with the existing survey data along with plans for a new survey.

Mr. Berrizbeitia moved to adjourn and Ms. Shumway seconded the motion.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.**

The next Historic District Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 4, 2021.

Documents used during the meeting are on file in the Planning Division Office.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Heather Carey  
Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_ 2/4/21 \_\_\_\_\_

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Nea Glenn, Secretary