

TOWN OF DOVER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES April 14, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman McDougall called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners Titus, Murray, Rivera, Vice Chairman Wagner and, Chairman McDougall

ABSENT: Commissioner Mullin and Shuler.

ALSO PRESENT: Paula Mendelsohn, Board Secretary and Nikki Barr, representing the board Attorney Peter King,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by all.

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF MEETING

MINUTES: Minutes from March 10, 2025. Motion made by Commissioner Titus and seconded by Chairman McDougall. **All in favor vote. APPROVED 4-0.**

RESOLUTION:

HPC25-03 - Maricela Osorio Motion to approve Resolution was made Commissioner Titus and second by Commissioner Murray. **All in favor vote. APPROVED 5-0.** Commissioner Rivera was present at this point.

CASES –

HCP25-04 Manuel Gonzales, Block 1211 Lot 3; also known as **45-47 E. Blackwell St.** located in the Downtown Historic District. Application is a Change in Exterior Appearance – Applicant seeks approval for new signage and lighting.

Mr. Gonzales, the applicant, was present to represent this application and was sworn in.

- Signs were resized for better proportions; one was shortened by 3 feet.
- Signs will be black with gold raised lettering and trim, made of wood with dimensional features for a historic look and existing hanging signs.
- Window signage will be removed to maintain aesthetic standards.
- Lighting will consist of low-profile sconces on the building wall, spaced evenly and designed for subtle historic appearance.

Motion to approve application made by Commissioner Murray and second by Commissioner Titus.

APPROVED 5-0

OLD BUSINESS –

Review of the Ordinance, Amending Chapter 236, Land Use and Development, of the Code of the Town of Dover, by Establishing a Historic Preservation Commission.

- The changes to our existing Ordinance were reviewed by the state office of preservation and updated to meet required standards.
- The goal is to add several buildings, including the cemetery and properties across through town of historical significance, to the district.
- The highlighted sections in the proposed ordinance document indicated the changes.
- The Ordinance will be sent to the planning board for review, and then to the mayor and council for their action.

Motion to move the application made by Chairman McDougal and second by Commissioner Titus. **All in favor vote. APPROVED 4-1 Abstained.**

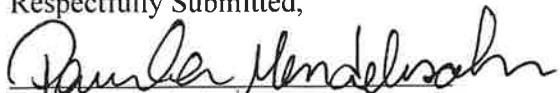
NEW BUSINESS – None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION – None

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Murray and seconded by Commissioner Wagner. **APPROVED 5-0.**

Meeting adjourned 8:12 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Paula Mendelsohn, Planning Board Secretary

Date approved May 19, 2025