

## HDAC Minutes

Meeting Date : Thursday, February 3, 2022

Present: Matt Millan, Richard Bartholomew, Randy Williams, Miles Orvell, Bill O'Keefe, Eileen Javers, Shirley Hanson, Deborah Popky, Patricia Cove  
Presenting Attorney: William O'Brien  
Staff: Lori Salgonicoff, Leah Silverstein

I. Patricia opened the meeting and members introduced themselves. William O'Brien made a presentation for property at 14 Laughlin Lane, originally built as a stable in the mid 1800's for the Laughlin Estate. The variance is for a first floor addition to serve as a dining room, that will encroach on the required 30 foot set back, reducing it to 15 Feet. The presentation was complete, showing photographs of the site, property layout, and elevations that show a new window configuration. A recommendation was made to try to incorporate an existing three bay window currently on the rear wall of the existing building in hopes that that window could be incorporated into the new addition with a new matching window installed on the opposite wall. The committee requested that revised elevations be submitted showing that suggestion, as well as specific roof materials that are being specified for the addition. With those two provisions, the committee voted unanimously to support the variance request.

II. A discussion was had regarding the vote of non- support for the property subdivision at 8410 Prospect Ave. in light of an easement proposal that the Conservancy received that would be considered if the HDAC would change its vote to support for that variance. After thorough review by both the Conservation and Easement Committee, and also the Executive Committee, a counter proposal was submitted to the applicant, which was rejected. So the HDAC vote of non-support would stand. The Committee then discussed this proposal and how something like this would be handled in the future, as there was concern that a proposal such as this could be seen as a quid pro quo. It was decided that any future proposals in this vein would be addressed on a case by case basis.

III. A discussion regarding the new "Accessory Dwelling Unit" being proposed for 8330 Millman Street, the Vanna Venturi property, was had, in preparation for their presentation which is scheduled for the March 3, 2022 meeting.

IV. Eileen reported on the meeting held with the Community Association and the neighbors of Hillcrest Ave. regarding the College's excavation along Germantown Ave, creating a new access to their upper campus, and all that the excavation will entail including blasting, and new lane configuration.

V. Patricia briefly discussed the importance of meeting attendance, and asked the members if they had any new member recommendations, to please send her names.

VI. Special Thanks were given to retiring committee member Frank Niepold.

Respectfully Submitted, Patricia Cove, Chair

