

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION

June 8, 2010

PRESENT: Ann Parks, James Fassanella, Michael Montalto, Susan Angevine

OTHERS: James Brasley, Perinton Planning Board; Jean A. Krym, 210 Whistle Stop, (owner of building at 716 Pittsford-Victor Road); Chris Duerr, architect; Jacqueline Olivencia, owner of Distingue Salon, Whitney Road

Chairman Ann Parks began the meeting at 7:30 PM.

DISCUSSION 716 Pittsford-Victor Road

Chris Duerr, architect for Distingue Salon owner Jacqueline Olivencia, showed photos of the building in Bushnell's Basin. Ms. Olivencia would like to turn the existing building into a salon and increase the square footage of the building without changing the building footprint. Their proposal calls for extending the dormer windows and enclosing the porch. M. Montalto said that he felt that the property had been very well maintained. If the goal is to increase the square footage, he would rather see the building size increase by raising the roof and not have the porch area enclosed. He would like to see the front façade and porches kept as is. Ms. Olivencia said that the roof will need to be raised no matter what. Mr. Duerr commented that raising the roof would allow the windows to be extended upward. J. Fassanella commented that he would like to see any addition added on top of the existing building so that the footprint of the building didn't change.

Discussion ensued regarding different ways to enlarge this building. The Commission felt that it would be a good idea to try and raise the roof, leave the porch as is, and create an addition behind the existing building, thereby keeping the footprint as close to the existing building as possible. A. Parks mentioned that it will need landscaping to screen the parking lot from the road. Everyone agreed that there would not be an issue with the garage coming down.

Jean Krym was asked about the age of the home. She said the house was built in 1849 and that the newer wing was added on in 1899.

C. Duerr asked about the possible removal of the interior trees, as he saw a need for increased parking areas. A. Parks was in favor of leaving the large trees on the property in front of the house. If the applicant wanted to remove trees, it would need to be part of the application. J. Brasley noted that this application will likely need some variances, as it is in a limited commercial zone. He suggested that the applicant take advantage of the early morning Planning Board Workshop meetings that the Planning Board offers, as that is a great time to iron out many requirements in advance of the board meetings.

M. Montalto commented that this site pre-dates many new regulations, and to keep it viable, there probably needs to be some departure from some of the new rules. A. Parks

suggested that the applicant look around Bushnell's Basin for ideas on signage and lighting. J. Brasley said that the business would be able to have 2 signs, as it is on a corner. He also recommended either building signs or monument signs, but not both.

Ms. Olivencia and Mr. Duerr said that they will take advantage of the Planning Workshop meetings, and will give Jim Brasley a call to set this up.

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OLD BUSINESS

Mobil Sign – M. Montalto made a motion to deny the proposed Mobil/Dunkin' Donuts sign at 690 Pittsford-Victor Road, as it is not consistent with the scale and massing of the signage in Bushnell's Basin, and it is a non-conforming sign, which, if changed, needs to comply with current sign regulations in this historic area. The motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: None

Unanimously approved.

MINUTES

The minutes from the April 13, 2010 meeting were approved as submitted. S. Angevine made a motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: None

Unanimously approved.

There being no further business, Chairman Ann Parks adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Clay