

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION

January 9, 2007

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

OTHERS: James Brasley, Perinton Planning Board; T.C. Lewis, Perinton Planning Board; Roger Johanson, Architect, Judy Bullene, Irondequoit Historic Commission; Greg Warther, Irondequoit Historic Commission; Dick Zicari, Irondequoit Historic Commission; Jean Czerkas, Irondequoit Historic Commission; Patricia Wayne, Irondequoit Historic Commission

Chairman Ann Parks welcomed guests from the Irondequoit Historic Commission, and introduced the members of the Perinton Historic Architecture Commission. She began the meeting at 7:35 PM.

HITCHING POST PLAZA

Pittsford-Victor Road

Roger Johanson submitted a four page informational sheet on the proposed sign design. The sign will be two-sided, made of a high density urethane material, with a mural painting on each side. It will be hand-painted, with hand-carved letters. There will be two low wattage light fixtures. R. Johanson said that the purpose of the sign will be to enhance the plaza and to reflect the historic character of the Basin, and will be located on an island at the main entrance to the plaza. The sign will be perpendicular to Route 96, and the bottom of the sign will be two feet above the ground, with landscaping beneath and surrounding it.

M. Montalto said that he liked the sign, and he suggested a low light tubular fixture that is less visible than those proposed. J. Brasley stated that the sign was acceptable to the Planning Board for its size and location. J. Fassanella mentioned that this change in signage may lead to other sign changes in the plaza, which would be an improvement. R. Johanson said that he had spoken to the owner of the Hitching Post Plaza, and that he did seem interested in front-lit signs on the stores. He would also like to see each sign look a bit different, and each one look like a work of art.

The existing sign at the plaza has two “tenant” signs on it. There needs to be some “wayfinding” signs to direct shoppers to these tenant stores in back. R. Johanson will return to the Historic Architecture Commission to submit those signs.

M. Montalto made a motion to approve a negative declaration for SEQR, as this proposal will not have any negative impacts on the cultural environment and is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Historic Architecture Commission. The motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Wise, Montalto, Angevine
Nays: None
Unanimously approved.

M. Montalto made a motion to approve the revised sign dated January 9, 2007, including materials labeled "Version 2-C", with the exception of the lighting fixtures. These will be determined at a later date. It is also subject to Planning Board approval and the proposal will return to the HAC for specifics. This sign is consistent in scale and massing with the goals and objectives of the Historic Architecture Commission and with the signage package for Bushnell's Basin. The motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Wise, Montalto, Angevine
Nays: None
Unanimously approved.

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NEW DESIGNATIONS

Discussion

A. Parks gave a brief history of how the town of Perinton initiated the process of designating landmarks. We now have 5 historic districts and 26 landmarks. Most of the individual landmarks were rated red by the Landmark Society, the highest rating in historic and architectural significance given at the time of the 1991 survey of the town. Currently, the Commission is looking at 10 possible homes, also rated red or green (the second highest rating), to be designated.

The designation process involves:

- 1.) Sending a letter of interest to the owner of the property
- 2.) A member of the Historic Architecture Commission will go out to the home and talk to the owner and give them information about designation
- 3.) Present the proposal to designate the home at a public hearing

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MINUTES

The minutes from the November 14, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted. Motion to approve by J. Fassanella, seconded by P. Wise.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Wise, Montalto, Angevine
Nays: None
Unanimously approved.

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

Respectfully yours,

Barbara Clay

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