BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6 LANDMARKS/LAND USE COMMITTEE MARCH 24, 2016

ATTENDANCE: PRESENT: J. ARMER A. FREEMAN Y. LEE M. RACIOPPO R. SLOANE	P. BLAKE V. HAGMAN R. LEVINE A. REEVES	D. BRIGGS G. KELLY M. MURPHY M. SHAMES
EXCUSED: P. FLEMING	T. MISKEL	D. SCOTTO
ABSENT: R. FREEMAN	D. KUMMER	J. THOMPSON
GUESTS: K.WONG J. HASICOPOULOS C. BOYLE P. CARLUCCI	L.VERELINE J. ANTHONY J. KELLER R. FLANCRAICH	M. NACMIAS B. MORROW C. CHAN

** MINUTES **

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm.

Agenda Item 1: A Land Use Public Hearing was held on 555 5th Avenue (BSA Cal. No. 2016-4121-BZ).

Agenda Item 2: Presentation and discussion for a special permit application submitted to the BSA on behalf of Fifteenth and Fifth LLC [Applicant] to allow for a physical culture establishment [PCE] within portions of the existing commercial building at 555 5th Avenue (Block 1042, Lot 1) at the northeast corner of 5th Avenue and 15th Street, which is located within a C4-3A zoning district. Applicant's attorney presented floor plans and building sections describing extent of renovations to accommodate proposed PCE. After discussion regarding impact of PCE's operating hours and planned activities, the following motion was made by J. Armer and seconded by D. Briggs.

Motion: Approve application with the following condition: provide acoustical separation between the proposed PCE and the existing retail space in the building.

Vote: Motion approved by unanimous vote

Agenda Item 3: Presentation and review of a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for the installation of a new gate for the front residential entrance at 158 Court Street (between Pacific/Amity Street), Cobble Hill Historic District.

Property owner's brother presented proposed gate design that would help keep non-residents off of front steps. After discussion regarding existing precedents in the historic district, the following motion was

made by V. Hagman and seconded by a committee member.

Motion: Deny application due to inconsistency with character and features of historic neighborhood.

Vote: Motion approved by unanimous vote

Agenda Item 4: Presentation and review of a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for the legalization of a bulkhead stairway, elevator door replacement, and the legalization and alteration of signage and lighting at 185-187 Pacific Street (between Court/Clinton Street), Cobble Hill Historic District.

After presentation by applicant's architect and owner's representative, and review of historical photos and discussion of proposed improvements, the following motion was made by J. Armer and seconded by a committee member.

Motion: Approve application with the following conditions: no bracketed sign on the street elevation and paint parking garage door with a trompe l'oeil pattern to match adjacent doors.

Vote: Motion approved by unanimous vote

Agenda Item 5: Presentation and review of a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for the replacement of stucco with brick veneer on all facades of 419 7th Avenue (northeast corner 7th Avenue/14th Street), Park Slope Historic District.

After presentation by applicant's architect and review and discussion of building details, the following motion was made by J. Armer and seconded by a committee member.

Motion: Approve application with the following conditions: add details that articulate the proposed brick pattern in a manner that is consistent with existing brick details at the lower level; paint the terrace railings, balconies, and leaders/downspouts; and remove/conceal cell towers.

Vote: Motion approved by unanimous vote

Agenda Item 6: Presentation and review of a Certificate of Appropriateness application submitted to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for the replacement of stucco with brick veneer on all facades of 563 5th Avenue (between 8th Avenue/Prospect Park West), Park Slope Historic District.

After presentation by applicant's architect and testimony by owner and neighbors, the following motion was made by G. Kelly and seconded by a committee member.

Motion: Approve application with the following condition: modify design to incorporate flat roof over addition in lieu of proposed pitched roof.

Vote: Motion approved by unanimous vote

Agenda Item 7: Committee provided feedback to Department of City Planning representatives on the outreach process for the Zoning Quality and Affordability and Mandatory Inclusionary Housing proposals.

Suggested improvements included a better understanding of each community's needs, earlier and more detailed feedback on the suggested amendments before they are formally presented, and allowing for more time in process.

Motion to approve the minutes from the February committee meeting made and seconded.

Vote: Motion approved.

Motion to request LPC to keep the record open made and seconded.

Vote: Motion approved.

Minutes were presented by David Briggs

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