



CITY COUNCIL

HARB Appeal Hearing

***HARB APPEAL HEARING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS***

WED, OCTOBER 28, 2009

Opening Matters

Call to Order

Purpose

To approve or deny the appeal for a certificate of appropriateness by Allegheny East Conference of Seventh Day Adventist, owner of 47 South Sixth Street, for the installation of white vinyl siding at the exterior of the upper northern, western, and southern building facades from the base of the second floor front windows to the third floor roofline.

The certificate of appropriateness was denied by HARB and the applicant is now appealing the HARB decision to Reading City Council.

The hearing will have three components 1) Presentation by the property owner or his representative 2) Presentation by the Historic Preservation Specialist: 3) Council questions. City Council will adopt a resolution either approving or denying the appeal at their November 9th or November 23rd regular business meeting.

Oath to all parties providing testimony

"Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the testimony, both oral and documentary, which you are about to give will be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?"

Findings of Fact:

- Testimony from Property Owner/Applicant
- Findings of Fact from Historic Preservation Specialist
- Public Comment
- Cross Examination by Council

Expected Date of Decision

Regular Meeting of Council on November 9th or November 23rd

Adjournment of Hearing

RESOLUTION NO. 65-09

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Reading Historical Architectural Review Board:

Appropriateness **NOT** be issued to Allegheny East Conference of Seventh Day Adventist, owner of 47 South Sixth Street, for the installation of white vinyl siding at the exterior of the upper northern, western, and southern building facades from the base of the second floor front windows to the third floor roofline due to the fact that this part of the exterior was not previously sided and therefore must be returned to the original brick façade.

Be it Hereby Further Resolved that:

The Board approves the installation of white vinyl siding at the first floor storefront, to be applied at only the storefront area at the northern, western, and southern facades, due to the fact that the storefront was sided with a non-original material previously, the building has a low site quality survey rating, and the first floor front façade of the building has been significantly altered from the original building design.”

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Reading Historical Architectural Review Board at the meeting held on May 19, 2009.

AMY WOLDT JOHNSON
Historic Preservation Specialist