

Montpelier Design Review Committee

October 25, 2011

Memorial Room, City Hall

Subject to Review and Approval

Present: James Duggan, Vice Chair; Eric Gilbertson, Jay White, Zachary Brock and Tim Senter.
Staff: Clancy DeSmet, Planning & Zoning Administrator

Call to Order:

James Duggan, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

I. 99 Barre Street – CB-II/DCD

Owner/Applicant: Steve and Patty Ribollini
Design Review for front porch renovations including removing portico, adding two new columns and replacing light fixture.
Flor Diaz-Smith, Architect

Ms. Diaz-Smith said the application is for the porch at 99 Barre Street. The porch is falling apart. It has an addition that was put in 1996 with a little portico they would like to remove. It doesn't add any historical character to the building but just a little extra weight. They are trying to bring the porch back. By taking the little front porch off they would like to add two new columns. They aren't changing the size or anything. They want to change the light fixture in the ceiling of the porch.

Mr. Duggan inquired what the reason for adding the columns was.

Ms. Diaz-Smith said the upstairs porch has just three columns and there is a little more than 11 feet between them but to add a little bit extra strength to the porch. Their thinking was that it would help define the entrance and help support the porch.

Mr. Duggan asked if they could put some sort of beam behind the trim. He is wondering how the addition of those columns affects the rhythm on the front. He wonders if there is a way to reinforce that without the addition of the columns.

Mr. Ribolini said there are two additional square columns there now.

Mr. Duggan said by removing that alteration it would really clean it up a lot.

Mr. Gilbertson asked if there were any signs on the trim where there might have been columns.

The DRC reviewed the design review criteria and found the application acceptable on a vote of 4 to 0.

Review of Minutes of October 22, 2011:

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. White and Mr. Brock the Minutes of October 22, 2011 were approved on a vote of 3 to 0.

Adjournment:

Upon a motion by Mr. White and Mr. Brock the Design Review Committee adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Clancy DeSmet
Planning & Zoning Administrator

Transcribed by: Joan Clack