

**MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF JERSEY CITY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

Please be advised the following items will be heard at the Regular Meeting of the Jersey City Historic Preservation Commission scheduled for MONDAY APRIL 4, 2022 at **6:30pm**.

This meeting will be conducted by electronic means in accordance with the “Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act,” of 2020, which explicitly permits a public body to conduct a meeting electronically during a state of emergency. Governor Murphy issued Executive Orders 103 and 107 declaring a “Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency” and directing residents to quarantine and practice social distancing.

ADVISORIES

In an effort to adhere to social distancing protocols and best practices imposed by City and State authorities, the City of Jersey City has canceled all public meetings and closed nonessential services as of March 16, 2020 until further notice. As a result, this Historic Preservation Commission hearing will be held virtually as a video conference with public access.

No new matter involving an applicant will be started after 11PM. At 10PM the Board Chair will make a determination and advise applicants whether they will be heard. If an applicant cannot be heard, the matter will be carried over to the next regularly scheduled meeting. The Board Chair may change the order in which the agenda items are called.

VIRTUAL MEETING ACCESS AND PARTICIPATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Jersey City Historic Preservation Commission is utilizing the Zoom service to conduct regular meetings in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

[JOIN VIRTUAL MEETING](#)

click link above at the scheduled date and time of this meeting

If you wish to participate during the public comment portion of an agenda item, then you must:

- Join the meeting using Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81157667431>
- Use the “Q&A” function to send a private “Question” to the Board to reserve your chance to speak, and include only:
 - Agenda Item or Case Number
 - Your first and last name
 - Your home address
- When you hear your name announced during the public comment portion, you may address the Commissioners regarding that specific agenda item or case.
 - The Board will determine how long each commenter will speak, with a maximum amount of time limited to FIVE (5) minutes, and when your time expires your microphone will be muted.

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Any questions can be directed to the City Planning main line during business hours at 201-547-5010 or via email at jchpc@jcnj.org. Please note that HPC Staff will be unavailable via email or phone for the duration of the meeting.

1. Call to Order – **6:33 PM**
 2. Sunshine Announcement
 3. Roll Call
 4. Approval of Minutes – March 14, 2022 **MOTION TO CARRY TO THE REGULAR HPC MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2022 APPROVED 7-0-0**
 5. Correspondence
 6. Announcements
 7. Open Public Comment
 8. Old Business
 - A. Case: [H21-297](#)
 - Applicant: Nathan Bright, AIA, on behalf of Emmanuel Rousson, Owner
 - Address: 67 Erie Street
 - Block/Lot: 11105/15
 - Zone: H – Harsimus Cove Historic District
 - For: A Certificate of Appropriateness for a rooftop addition (visible from the public right of way from 4th Street) and associated work at 67 Erie Street, an altered, contributing, circa 1860 brick and brownstone fronted Italianate influenced vernacular Greek Revival - variant rowhouse.
- CARRIED FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 14, 2022**

MOTION TO DENY THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
DENIED PER § 345-71(L)(3)(b)(iii) AND § 345-71(L)(3)(b)(vi)
APPROVED 5-2-0

9. New Business
- A. Case: [H22-041](#)
Applicant: Gaklen Ekladous on behalf of Sugartown Bakery
Address: 437 Jersey Ave
Block/Lot: 13905/14
Zone: H – Van Vorst Park Historic District
For: A Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a fixed-awning sign at the ground floor of 437 Jersey Ave, an altered, contributing, circa 1885 Neo Grec-variant mixed use building.
CARRIED AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT TO AN UNSPECIFIED MEETING DATE APPROVED 6-0-0 (SANDKAMP RECUSED)
10. Tabled Cases
- A. Case: H16-356
Applicant: Gary Segal, Architect for Carmen Parra, Owner
Address: 148 Jewett Avenue
Block/Lot: 16601/31
Zone: West Bergen-East Lincoln Park Historic District
For: Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a rear yard addition at a two and a half story Queen Anne style wood frame dwelling built *circa* 1900.
CARRIED FROM THE FEBRUARY 27, 2017 HPC MEETING; TABLED TO AN UNSPECIFIED HPC MEETING DATE AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT

B. Case: [H21- 354](#)
Applicant: Jennifer Porter, Esq. on behalf of Jones Hall Associates, LP, owner
Address: 591 Montgomery Street (former *Jersey City Medical Center Complex*)
Block/Lot: 13601/1
Zone: R-4
For: Recommendation to the Jersey City Planning Board for the subdivision of Lot 1 within the National and State Register listed former Jersey City Medical Center (JCMC) complex into two new lots containing the contributing Jones Hall constructed *circa* 1932 (Lot 1.01) and the proposed new construction of an 17-story, mixed-use building with structured parking, a healthcare facility, and 98 residential units (Lot 1.02).
**RECOMMENDATION TO THE JERSEY CITY ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
CARRIED FROM THE SPECIAL HPC MEETING OF JANUARY 31, 2022;
TABLED TO AN UNSPECIFIED MEETING DATE AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT**

C. Case: [H20-372](#)
Applicant: John Visconi Esq. for the French American Academy
Owner: Parish of St. Mary
Address: 209 Third Street/205-215 Third Street
Block/Lot: 11301/1
Zone: H – Harsimus Cove Historic District
For: Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of new, prefinished, aluminum entrance doors and transom in a wood frame to replace the existing, modern, replacement, aluminum doors installed circa 1970 at the primary entrances of the former *Saint Mary’s High School*, originally known as the *Catholic Institute*, and currently known as the *French American Academy*, a contributing, eclectic Neo-Gothic, masonry, institutional building with Art Deco influences constructed circa 1915 in the *Harsimus Cove Historic District*.
**CARRIED FROM THE REGULAR HPC MEETING OF MARCH 14, 2022;
TABLED TO AN UNSPECIFIED MEETING DATE AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT**
11. Election of 2022-2023 Officers: Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary **MOTION TO RE-ELECT BLAZAK AS CHAIR, SANDKAMP AS VICE-CHAIR, AND O’NEILL AS SECRETARY APPROVED 7-0-0**
12. Introduction and Discussion of Resolutions as needed
13. Memorialization of Resolutions
14. Executive Session as needed, to discuss litigation, personnel or other matters.
15. Adjournment