

EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

SUBDIVISION PROCEDURE AND ORDINANCE WORKSHOP

MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2010

7:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. The Workshop Meeting was called to order by the East Coventry Historical Commission (EHC) Chairman, L. Coine at 6:45 p.m. In attendance were L. Coine, Chairman; R. Miller, Vice Chairman; P. Snyder, Secretary; Jane L. S. Davidson, Historic Preservation Consultant; R. Caldwell, Member; L. Tietjen, Member/Planning Commission Liaison; G. Brown, Member.
3. No Public Comment
4. The Workshop Minutes for July 19, 2010 were considered for approval. R. Caldwell made the motion to accept the minutes for July 19, 2010 as presented. L. Tietjen seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 5-0-0. (P. Snyder was not available for the vote as she was on an errand for the commission.)
5. Discussion on Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) review process. On July 22, 2010, our consultant, Jane L. S. Davidson, had a meeting with Bernard Rodgers, Township Manager, on several Historic Preservation subjects, including the SALDO review. In essence, he wants a report on the changes, etc., after the Historical Commission finishes their review. He will send Jane the current ordinance which she will codify according to the Historical Commission's report. The codified ordinance will be forwarded to the SALDO subcommittee. Jane will review the codified ordinance with the SALDO sub-committee after she spends several hours briefing them on the Historic Preservation Laws, Protocol, Regulations and Procedures notebook contents. Afterwards the ordinance is submitted to the Planning Commission before it is forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.
6. The Historical Commission reviewed and made the following recommendations to **Part II, Definitions (continued)**:
 - a. Page 19, Section 202, Definitions, Historic Resource Map – R. Miller made the motion to change 'Historic Resource Map' to read 'Historic Resource Atlas' and to change the definition to read as follows: 'An inventory of all buildings, structures, objects and sites, fifty years or older, including the Chester County Historic Site Survey conducted in East Coventry Township between 1979 and 1982 and in partnership with the Chester County Historic Resource Atlas program in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended.' R. Caldwell seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0. (P. Snyder had returned.)
 - b. Page 21, Section 202, Definitions, Landscape Screen – G. Brown made the motion to add in the fourth sentence after the word barrier and before the next sentence beginning Where, the following: 'such as between historic resources and new development.' L. Tietjen seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.

- c. Page 22, Section 202, Definitions, Land Disturbance – P. Snyder made a motion to add the following phase at the end of the existing proposed definition, line 7, after activity.: ‘The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) may request a Phase I archaeological survey investigation upon the receipt of a completed Cultural Resource Notice.’ R. Miller seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.
 - d. Page 25, Section 202, Definitions, Mitigation – G. Brown made a motion to add a paragraph ‘C’ for historic resource mitigation after ‘A’ and ‘B’ as follows: ‘C. One or more of the following mitigation options can be utilized when historic resources are present in a proposed subdivision and/or development: 1. Higher new construction density to provide for a larger space buffer around historic resources, 2. Foliage buffers between new construction and historic resources, 3. Mitigation options in a Memorandum of Agreement that contribute to the community whenever a demolition and/or major adverse effect is proposed for a historic resource. R. Caldwell seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.
 - e. Page 26, Section 202, Definitions, Monument – R. Caldwell made a motion to add the following sentence to the end of the existing proposed definition: ‘A monument may be a historical identification and/or interpretation object and as such is a historic resource.’ P. Snyder seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.
 - f. Page 31, Section 202, Definitions, Sensitive Environmental Features – P. Snyder made a motion to add the following sentence to the end of the existing proposed definition: ‘This may also include the potential existence of prehistorical and historical archaeological sites and landscapes.’ G. Brown seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.
 - g. Page 32, Section 202, Definitions, Site Analysis –P. Snyder made a motion to add the phase ‘and cultural features’ in the first sentence after the word ‘features’ and before the word ‘on’ and in the second sentence after the word ‘features’ and before the word ‘of’. Also, to add the following sentence between the first and second sentence in line 2, ‘A Historic Resource Impact Study is required for all buildings, structures, or sites 50 years or older.’ R. Miller seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.
 - h. Page 36, Section 202, Definitions, Structure – R. Caldwell made a motion to add the following sentence to the end of the existing proposed definition: ‘If the structure is 50 years or older it is considered a historic resource worthy of further historical investigation.’ P. Snyder seconded the motion. L. Coine called for a vote, motion carried 6-0-0.
7. The next meeting of the Subdivision Procedure and Ordinance Workshop will be held August 19, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the Township Building.
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Gail Brown