

1 **HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**
2 **Town of Simsbury, Connecticut**
3 **Regular Meeting – Monday, October 5, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**
4 **Main Meeting Room, Town Hall**
5 **933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070**
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7 **I. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Goetz called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
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9 **II. ROLL CALL**

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11 **Present:** Assistant Town Planner, Brittany MacGilpin; Code Compliance Officer,
12 Joseph Hollis; Chair Heather Goetz; Commission Members: Elaine Lang, Erin Leavitt-
13 Smith, and Ieke Scully.
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15 **Absent:** Vice Chair, Dianne Mead; Commission Members: Chad Alfeld, Patricia
16 Hyyppa, and Mark Nyquist.
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18 **1. Appointment of Alternates**
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20 Commissioner Scully was appointed as a regular member for tonight’s meeting.
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22 **III. APPLICATIONS**
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24 **APPLICATION #23-03** Robert Pomeroy, Owner/Applicant for a Certificate of
25 Appropriateness to replace 7 windows with wood windows and replace the roof with
26 fiberglass asphalt shingles on the property located at 16 East Weatogue Street
27 (Assessor’s Map H14, Block 109, Lot 015), Zone R-40.
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29 Mr. Pomeroy stated that:

- 30 • Chris Arnold will be redoing the current asphalt roof and wants to preserve the
31 way it looks and reinforce the corners and beaming.
- 32 • The front window is metal clad, and another window is missing, so for
33 uniformity he wants to replace all the windows with single-paned wood
34 windows.
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36 **MOTION:** Commissioner Leavitt-Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner
37 Lang, to close the public hearing for **APPLICATION #23-03** Robert Pomeroy,
38 Owner/Applicant for a Certificate of Appropriateness to replace 7 windows with wood
39 windows and replace the roof with fiberglass asphalt shingles on the property located
40 at 16 East Weatogue Street (Assessor’s Map H14, Block 109, Lot 015), zone R-40. The
41 motion carried unanimously. (4-0-0).
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43 The Board agreed on the necessity and manner of renovations.
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45 **MOTION:** Chair Goetz made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Lang, to approve
46 **APPLICATION #23-03** Robert Pomeroy, Owner/Applicant for a Certificate of

47 Appropriateness to replace 7 windows with wood windows and replace the roof with
48 fiberglass asphalt shingles on the property located at 16 East Weatogue Street
49 (Assessor's Map H14, Block 109, Lot 015), zone R-40 as outlined in the draft motion
50 provided by Staff. The motion carried unanimously. (4-0-0).
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52 **IV. GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS**

53 **Certificate of Appropriateness Expiration Discussion**

54 Chair Goetz stated:

- 55 • The current Certificate of Appropriateness expires after one year.
- 56 • There is no standard for the State Code.
- 57 • Town Staff favors a longer period of duration.
- 58 • With supply shortages one year is very restrictive.

59 Commissioner Lang stated:

- 60 • In the previous meeting 3-5 years was the duration the Board members were
61 suggesting.
- 62 • While building there are unexpected issues that need to be addressed,
63 compromising precedence, and extending the plan.

64 **MOTION:** Chair Goetz made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Leavitt-Smith, to
65 replace the existing provision of one year, and to amend the handbook to recommend
66 a five-year period, with one extension approved by the Commission for an additional
67 five years, on applications that are approved by the Board. The motion carried
68 unanimously. (4-0-0).
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70 **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

71 **August 7, 2023, Special Meeting**

72 **MOTION:** Commissioner Lang made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Leavitt-
73 Smith to accept the Minutes of the August 1, 2023, Special Meeting as written. The
74 motion carried unanimously. (4-0-0).
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76 **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

77 **MOTION:** Chair Goetz made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Leavitt-Smith, to
78 adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. (4-0-0).
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80 Chair Goetz adjourned the meeting at 7:18 P.M.

81 Respectfully Submitted,

82 Amanda Blaze
83 Commission Clerk
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