



Historic District Commission

Sign Advisory Council

Commissioners: Chris Young (Chair), Kevin Kuester, Paul Wolf, Mark Cutone, Ben Normand

MINUTES

Tuesday May 12, 2026

Remote participation via Zoom.

I. Procedural Business

Call to order at 9:00 am.

Attending members: Chris Young, Ben Normand, Paul Wolf, Kevin Kuester, Mark Cutone

Absent members: none.

Late arrivals: none.

Early Departures: none.

Motion to adopt agenda made by Wolf; seconded by Normand.

Vote: Carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: 5/5/2026 minutes made by Kuester; seconded by Normand.

Vote: Carried unanimously.

II. Public Comment- none

III. Commissioner Comments-

New Business

1. **Museum of African Am. Hist- 14486 29 York Street Freestanding Sign 55.4.1/178 Marsha Fader**

Discussion:

Kuester- revisions requested on 5/5/26 do not reflect logo or color. Not similar to the original sign. Does not fit into neighborhood context and setting.

Wolf- prefers option 4.

Normand- prefers option 3 or 4.

Cutone- prefers option 3 or 4; leaning towards 4. They provide a chip in their presentation for #3.

Young- not comfortable- too much like a billboard. Located in the residential section of the OHD. Logo should be removed. Should go before the Commission with color chips.

Motion to approve option #3 made by Cutone; seconded by Wolf.

Kuester seconded the motion for discussion. Kuester requested accurate sizing of the logo.

Normand- Darker color, Pacific Ocean Blue is similar FOLGER Blue and Caribbean Blue is like Newport blue. Feels more comfortable approving an HDC approvable color.

Motion to recommend approvable to the HDC with option 3 FOLGER Blue made by Normand; seconded by Wolf.

Motion carries 3-2 (Young and Kuester- nay)

2. **EMMA, LLC 14640 46 Center St Projecting sign- Hayes Haberdashery 42.3.1/2 Sign Here Nantucket**

Discussion:

Wolf- no questions.

Normand- sign on a bay window is inappropriate for architecture. Blue sign out of character with color of building.

Cutone- suggested relocating to the right between door and window. Sit on shingle face.

Kuester- nothing to add.

Young- agrees with location, perhaps sit on quarter board. Suggested a new Master Sign Plan.

Motion to Hold for Revisions made by Kuester; seconded by Normand.

Carries unanimously.

3. **EMMA, LLC 14639 46 Center St Projecting sign- Love, Celine Boutique 42.3.1/2 Sign Here Nantucket**

Discussion:

Normand- no concerns.

Cutone- nothing to add.

Kuester- font inappropriate. Combination does not meet the guidelines.

Wolf- could letters be serif?

Young- needs a border. V groove with a detailed black.

Motion to approve with groove border being painted black to match the lettering made by Normand; seconded by Wolf.

Carries unanimously.

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4. 27 Fairgrounds LLC 14641 27 Fairgrounds Rd Projecting sign 67/150 Sign Here Nantucket

Discussion:

Kuester- questioned if previous sign was grandfathered.

Cutone- no concerns.

Kuester- busy, suggested simpler. Fairgrounds font not appropriate. Topography an issue.

Wolf- doesn't meet the guidelines but appropriate due to previous sign. Prefers option 2.

Normand- nothing coherent- too many pieces. Not tied together.

Young- agrees with Normand. Missing a border or frame.

Motion to hold for revisions made by Kuester; seconded by Wolf.

Carries unanimously.

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5 Jen Kipp- 14598 5 Baltimore St Little Free Library 60.2.1/62 Self

Discussion:

Kuester- questioned why reviewing:

Wolf- no concerns.

Normand- no concerns. Appreciates the graphics.

Cutone- no concerns

Motion to approve made by Kuester; seconded by Wolf.

Carries unanimously.

Enforcement

Blood drive will be submitting an application for their temporary freestanding signs for the 5/19/26 meeting.

Kuester mentioned several store fronts in the OHD applying vinyl lettering to their windows.

Staff to look into the large green sign on Centre Street.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 10:06am made by Cutone; seconded by Normand

Carries unanimously.