CITY OF ALLENTOWN

| No._____ | *RESOLUTION* | *R -   2019* |

Introduced by the Administration on June 19, 2019

Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 537 W Liberty Street

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, a Certificate of Appropriateness is required under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania No.167, June 13, 1961 (P.L.282) known as the Pennsylvania Historic District Act; and City of Allentown has adopted a Historic District Ordinance, Article 1391, under the provisions allowed in the Pennsylvania Historic District Act; and

WHEREAS, the owner, Dream Big Investments LLC applied to the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) for a Certificate of Appropriateness to rehabilitate and reconstruct front porch including flooring, posts, and roof as described on the attached Case Report; and

WHEREAS, the HARB held a meeting on said matter on June 3, 2019, in the absence of the applicant, and due to timing constraints made a recommendation regarding the application; and

WHEREAS, based on the evidence presented, the HARB made the following findings of fact, as detailed in the attached Case Report:

1. The proposal to rehabilitate and reconstruct front porch including flooring, posts, and roof at 537 W. Liberty Street was NOT represented.
2. The architectural type roof shingles and PVC porch posts proposed are not historically appropriate for the house or historic district and do not meet the Design Guidelines.
3. In addition, the application was incomplete, missing information on the proposed railing/guard rehabilitation, repair of the eaves and soffits, and reconstruction details of porch deck and roof.

WHEREAS on June 3, 2019, based on the above findings of fact, the HARB recommended to City Council denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness as detailed in the attached Case Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Allentown that a Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby denied for the above referenced alteration.