

Allentown

435 Hamilton Street Allentown, Pa. 18101

Minutes - Final

Community and Economic Development Committee

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

6:15 PM

City Council Chambers

Roll Call: Chair Mota, Napoli, Affa

Present: 1 - Cynthia Mota

15-5580 R29

Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 322 N. 8th Street

Sponsors: Administration

Attachments: R29 HARB DENIAL - 322 N 8th St

322 N 8th St Final Review

Resolution #30588

Ms. Vicky Kistler stated that this denial was issued because the city's inability to reach the owner. The owner submitted an application to build a detached garage in the rear. The application was received and was scheduled for the December and the owner stopped communicating entirely. The HARB Board had no other choice, but to deny the request.

Ms. Cynthia Mota asked if there were any questions from the dais.

Mr. Santo Napoli asked if the resident who is not communicating decides to communicate, does it pick up where they left off.

Ms. Vicky Kistler stated that at this point, if the city denies the request, they are going to have to reapply.

Ms. Cynthia Mota asked if it is a fee when they reapply.

Ms. Vicky Kistler stated that there will be a reapplication fee. Although, Community and Economic Development is willing to work with them if it is a really good reason why they cannot, they can certainly go back and talk about tweaking the application. She stated that her office sent letters, emails, made phone calls and had no response. She is not sure if they are even interested in pursuing the garage.

Ms. Cynthia Mota asked if there are any other questions or concerns from the dais or the public.

A motion was made by Candida Affa, seconded by Santo Napoli, that this Resolution be forwarded favorably to City Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Cynthia Mota, Santo Napoli and Candida Affa

Enactment No: 30588

Adjournment: 6:18 PM