# NOTICE OF DECISION

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION - MINOR HISTORIC REVIEW

CASE NO.: Historic Review Case HIS14-12 / AMANDA No. 14-107463-DR

**DECISION DATE:** June 6, 2014

REQUEST: Minor Historic Design Review of a proposal to repair and restore the

original driveway on the south side of the Elizabeth Lord House & Gardens (Lord and Schryver Office), a historic contributing building in the Gaiety Hill/Bush's Pasture Park Historic District, on property zoned RS (Single Family Residential) and located at 545 Mission St SE,

97302. (Marion County Assessor Map and Tax Lot number

073W27DB00900)

APPLICANT: Bobbie Dolp for Lord & Schryver Conservancy

OWNER: Lord & Schryver Conservancy

LOCATION: 545 Mission Street SE

CRITERIA: Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter 230

**FINDINGS:** The applicant is proposing to repair and restore the historic concrete pavers in the driveway of the resource. Staff determined that the following standards from SRC Chapter 230 are applicable to this project:

SRC 230.060(q) Site Features. Replacement or alteration of site features of a historic contributing building and individually listed public historic resources that are identified as significant features on the historic resource inventory, including, but not limited to, driveways, sidewalks, gardens, significant trees, or geological features is allowed, unless the replacement or alteration would materially alter or destroy the features.

#### Findings:

The applicant proposes to repair and restore the original driveway of the resource, which consists of a distinctive arrangement of rectangular concrete pavers of differing sizes placed in an offset pattern, meant to resemble a terrace. The applicant provided photographs documenting the current condition of the original driveway, which is in poor condition. The photographs show an uplifting and cracks on several pavers and a large gap at the interface with the new sidewalk on Mission Street SE.

(1) Materials. Materials shall duplicate, to the greatest degree possible, the appearance and physical qualities of the original materials. Example:

Rhododendron hedge planted during the period of significance is replanted with heritage varieties available during the period of significance.

#### Findings:

The applicant proposes to remove continuous pour sections added to the west and east edges of the original driveway in order to restore the approximate 8' to 9' width of the original driveway. The applicant also proposes to restore the original section of the driveway by removing, restoring, and resetting existing pavers over a prepared base of crushed rock. All salvaged existing concrete pavers would be washed. The applicant notes that three pavers are broken or deeply cracked and must be replaced. The replacement pavers would be poured and acid stained to match the existing pavers, with a similar blend of gravel material exposed.

As a result, original materials would be retained in the majority of pavers, and duplicated to the greatest degree possible in the three replacement pavers. Furthermore, the original dimensions of the driveway would be restored, and existing pavers would be washed to more closely reflect their physical qualities at the time of original installation. Therefore, staff finds that the proposal meets this standard.

(2) **Design.** The design shall reproduce, to the greatest extent possible, the appearance of the original site feature. Example: If the site contains a Lord and Schryver garden, the replacements shall be allowed provided the original design and location of plantings of the historical garden are retained.

#### Findings:

The applicant proposes to restore the design of the original 8' to 9' wide driveway. In order to restore the original design width and appearance of the driveway, the applicant would remove continuous pour sections added on either side of the original driveway that were added after the original installation.

The applicant notes that in the original Lord & Schryver design, the pattern of paver placement was meant to resemble a terrace. In order to preserve the original design pattern, the applicant proposes to mark and map pavers prior to lifting them for restoration, and reset pavers in their original locations. Therefore, staff finds that the proposal meets this standard.

**DECISION:** Based upon the application materials deemed complete on May 2, 2014 and the findings as presented in this report, the application is APPROVED.

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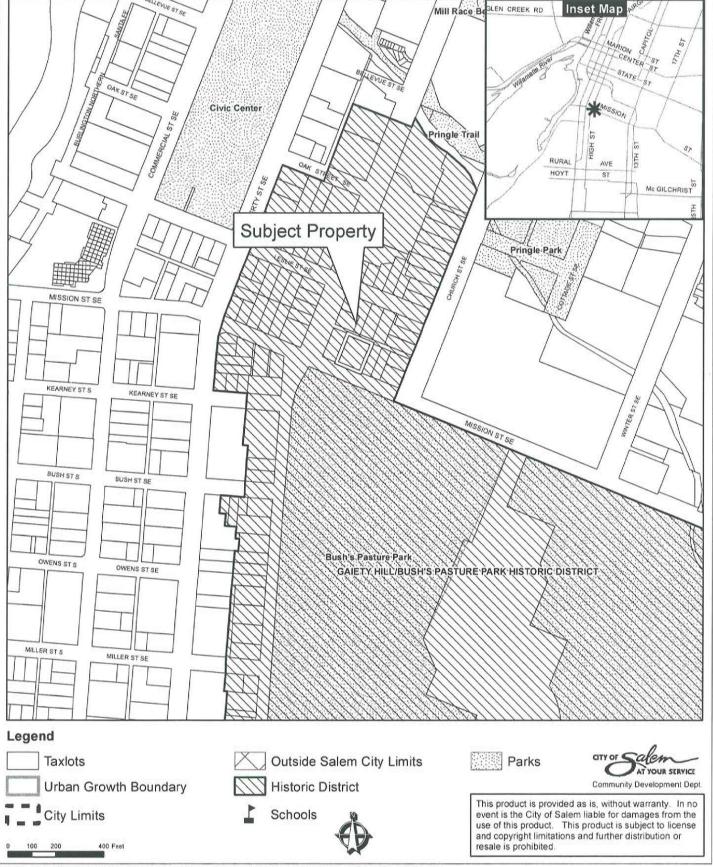
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Application Deemed Complete: May 2, 2014
Notice of Decision Mailing Date: June 6, 2014
Decision Effective Date: June 24, 2014
State Mandated Decision Date: August 20, 2014

The rights granted by this decision must be exercised by <u>June 22, 2016</u>, or this approval shall be null and void.

This decision is final unless written appeal from an aggrieved party is filed with the City of Salem Planning Division, Room 305, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem, OR 97301, no later than 5:00 p.m., June, 23, 2014. The appeal must state where the decision failed to conform to the provisions of the historic preservation ordinance (SRC Chapter 230). The appeal must be filed in duplicate with the City of Salem Planning Division. The appeal fee must be paid at the time of filing. If the appeal is untimely and/or lacks the proper fee, the appeal will be rejected. The Salem Historic Landmarks Commission will review the appeal at a public hearing. After the hearing, the Historic Landmarks Commission may amend, rescind, or affirm the action, or refer the matter to staff for additional information.

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Gaiety Hollow – Lord and Schryver Conservancy – Historic Photo of Driveway, Page 2





Gaiety Hollow – Lord and Schryver Conservancy – Current interface of driveway and sidewalk



Uplifted pavers



Cracked paver

