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Delaware City Historic Preservation Commission

February 12, 2010

Delaware Holdings, LLC
c/o Kevin Whittaker
P.O. Box 531
Delaware City, DE 19706

**Re: Letter of Appropriateness
122 Washington Street - Funeral Home Conversion
Tax Parcel No. 22-007.00-050
DCHD Property Inventory No. – N6333.083**

Dear Mr. Whittaker:

The Delaware City Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) met in a publicly noticed meeting on February 2, 2010 to consider your application to lease the referenced property for use as a funeral home. No changes to the exterior of the building are proposed. Maintenance will be done to the front entry enclosure, using in-kind materials and design, to bring it to sound condition.

Approval by the HPC for the change of use is not mandatory. However, the Commission thanks you for bringing the details of the conversion, as well as the parking issues, to its attention. You indicated that there is no requirement for an accessibility ramp at this time, but should one be required in the future, there is space in an inconspicuous location at the rear of the building.

The Commission reviewed the proposed design with consideration of the following factors required under Section 49-6 b.)2.):

- a.) Exterior architectural features, including all signs;*
- b.) General design, scale and arrangements;*

- c.) Texture and material;*
- d.) The relationship of a, b, c, above, to other structures and features of the district;*
- e.) The purposes for which the district was created;*

The Commission approves the plans for the conversion of the building and rehabilitation of the entry surround as submitted, with the following comments and/or recommendations on the relevant review factors:

1. Compatible use is being made of the property with minimal alteration of the structure.
2. Distinctive features and historic material are not being removed.

Thank you for your cooperation with the Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra C. Martin". The signature is written in black ink and includes a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Debra C. Martin, Vice Chair
Delaware City Historic Preservation Commission

cc: Parcel File