



HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

May 20, 2026

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Below is a summary of the actions taken by the Historic District Commission at the meeting noted above. Additional information can be found in the meeting minutes (drafts available starting 5 business days after the meeting through the City Clerk's Office). Please contact the Community Development Department with any questions by calling 603-352-5440 or emailing communitydevelopment@keenenh.gov.

BOARD ACTIONS

I. Public Hearing

HDC-26-01 – Major Project Application: Applicant: St. James Episcopal Church; Owner: Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of NH; Proposed installation of a 54-panel rooftop solar energy system at 44 West St (TMP #575-034-000). Waivers from sec. 22.6.3.C.2 for slate roof replacement with metal and sec. 22.6.3.C.4 for chimney removal are requested. Property is ranked as a Primary Resource in the DT-C District.

Board Action on the Waiver Request: *The following motion was made by Louise Zerba and seconded by Councilor Ed Haas and passed on a vote of 5 to 0:*

“Move to grant a waiver from Section 22.6.3.C. of the Land Development Code to permit the removal of the chimney on the south roof and the removal of the slate roof on the parish house portion of the St. James church to be replaced with a standing seam metal roof.”

Board Action on the Application: *The following motion was made by Russ Fleming and seconded by Hope Benik and passed on a vote of 5 to 0:*

“Move to approve the installation of a 54-panel rooftop solar energy system on the property located at 44 West St., as presented in the application and supporting materials received on April 13, 2026 and revised on May 7, 2026 with the following condition:

- 1. The metal roof shall have a low gloss finish.”*