

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Board of Selectmen

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of a public hearing before the Town of Georgetown Board of Selectmen on the following date, time and place:

Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Commencing at 6:00 pm
Georgetown Town Hall
404 Sixth Street
Georgetown, CO 80444

The purpose of the hearing is to take public testimony and consider action on an appeal under Georgetown Municipal Code 17.48.100 by the Georgetown Trust for Conservation and Preservation, Inc., dated December 5, 2018, regarding application of Chapter 17.48 of the Code to two 19th Century Bartlett Street globes, and in particular the application of the "full cutoff" requirements of Chapter 17.48 to those fixtures, located at 809 Taos Street, Georgetown.

All members of the public are invited to attend and give testimony on the appeal. Written comments may be submitted to the Town at P. O. Box 426, Georgetown CO 80444 or in person at the Town Hall, 404 Sixth Street, Georgetown, at any time before the hearing. For further information call the Town Clerk at 303-569-2555.

A copy of the December 5, 2018 appeal request is attached to this Notice and made a part hereof. Additional copies are available at the Town offices, 404 Sixth Street, Georgetown, for public inspection and copying during normal business hours, or visit www.town.georgetown.co.us.

GIVEN THIS 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.


Jennifer Yobski, Town Clerk

Posted at the Town Hall and on the Town's website on January 3, 2019.

Georgetown Trust for Conservation and Preservation, Inc

December 5, 2018

To: Board of Selectmen
Town of Georgetown

Appeal Hearing under Section 17.48.100 of the Georgetown Municipal Code

In June of 2018 a donor presented the Georgetown Trust with two 19th century Bartlett Street globes for use as luminaires on the front walkway to the restored 1874 Schoolhouse: the Georgetown Heritage Center. The globes were produced between 1872 -1890 and are compatible with the historic period of the school. Information is attached. The Trust recognized that the globes were not full cut off and could not be adjusted without destroying their integrity. They were not compliant with Section 17.48.080 of the Code.

The Trust approached the Town of Georgetown and was informed that as the electrical extensions had been inspected previously no building permit was required for the placement of the poles or lights. The Building Inspector is not the enforcement agent of the "dark sky" regulations. That enforcement has defaulted to the Design Review Commission (DRC). The Trust then made application to the DRC explaining that a special capped bulb had been chosen to limit the light output. The bulb strength would not exceed 60 watts and at 2700 Kelvin the bulb would emit a yellowish light to emulate gaslighting. Further, the lamps would only be lit during evening events and would be shut off by 10 p.m. The globes would be held in baskets affixed to simple iron poles. At a regular meeting on July 13, 2017 the DRC granted a Certificate of Appropriateness to the project. The Trust representative also informed the Board of Selectmen, however, no formal Request for an Appeal was made.

It took almost a year to complete the design and fabrication of the poles. The Trust went back to the DRC in April of 2018 to insure that the approval was current prior to placing the poles with globes in June.

The Trust application documents, the COA, DRC Minutes are attached. This appeal requests that the Board of Selectmen concur with the decision of the DRC.

Thank you,



Paul Boat
Executive Director