

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

KRISTENNA CHASE, PRESERVATION PLANNER SARAH WHITE, PLANNER & PRESERVATION PLANNER **Case #:** HPC 2017.037 **Date**: June 20, 2017

Recommendation: Conditional Approval

PRESERVATION STAFF REPORT

Site: 143 Central Street

Applicant Name: Dan McLoughlin

Applicant Address: 59 Commerce Way, Woburn, MA

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Owner Name: Kate Wadsworth Castle Living Trust

Owner Address: 143 Central Street

Petition: Kate Wadsworth Castle Living Trust, through the Applicant, Dan McLoughlin, seeks permission from the Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) to replace 10 existing replacement windows and a patio door with Pella Architect series windows and door.

HPC Hearing Date: June 20, 2017



I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- 1. <u>Subject Property:</u> The subject property is located in the Winter Hill neighborhood, is part of the Veazie Row Single Building Local Historic District. See attached Survey Form.
- 2. **Proposal:** The Applicant proposes to replace 10 existing replacement windows and a patio door with Pella Architect series windows and door. (Technical information attached.)

II. FINDINGS FOR REPLACEMENT OF WINDOWS

The Somerville LHD guidelines state that windows may be treated as follows:

Windows and Doors



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1. Retain original and later important door and window openings where they exist. Do not enlarge or reduce door and window openings for the purpose of fitting stock window sash or doors, or air conditioners.

2. Whenever possible, repair and retain original or later important window elements such as sash, lintels, sill, architraves, glass, shutters and other decorative elements and hardware. When replacement of materials or elements is necessary, it should be based on physical or documentary evidence. If aluminum windows must be installed, select a baked finish that matches as closely as possible the color of the existing trim. Investigate weather-stripping and storm windows with a baked enamel finish as an alternative to the replacement of historic

<u>Proposal</u>: The Applicant proposes to replace the existing, replacement windows with Pella Architect® series aluminum-clad double-hung 2/2 sash with putty profile muntins or grilles. They would add multilight French doors to replace single-pane sliders.

Staff Findings: The Staff finds that there would no loss of historic fabric and that there would be no alteration of openings. Staff reviewed the records for the Veazie Row houses and found that windows had been replaced on several of them, mostly in the rear. Staff finds that the Pella Architect® series windows have a putty profile and width of muntin suitable for the age of the building. Staff also finds French doors are a more appropriate type of door than the 1960s slider doors. Staff notes that despite visibility of the rear of the row from Medford Street, many of the windows and openings have been altered over time, reflecting the private nature of the yards and the need for buildings to change to meet the needs of the occupants.

Staff finds that the proposal meets with the above guidelines.

III. RECOMMENDATION

Based on the information provided and an assessment of the proposal against the Somerville LHD guidelines, Staff recommends <u>CONDITIONAL APPROVAL</u> of the window and door replacement

- 1. All relevant building permits shall be obtained by the applicant prior to installation of the replacement windows and doors.
- 2. None of the window openings shall be altered to contain the new replacement sash.
- 3. Ten Pella Architectural® series replacement sash shall match the existing top, bottom and meeting rails, stiles and muntins in size, shape, and installation detail.
- 4. One set of the existing window sash will be retained for comparison purposes.
- 5. Commission Staff to confirm the match of the new window sash to the currently existing window sash.
- 6. The sliding glass patio doors shall be replaced with French doors.
- 7. All materials, including framing and mortar type and color, shall be presented to preservation staff for their final review and approval before installation.

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GRILLE TYPES

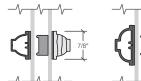
Typical Grille Profiles



Integral Light Technology® Grilles

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Clad Exterior - Wood Interior

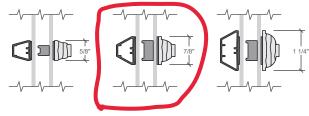




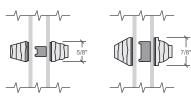


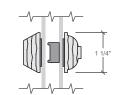
Putty Glaze and Ogee Grilles

Clad Exterior - Wood Interior

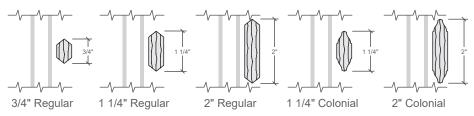


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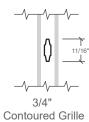




Roomside Removable Grilles



Grilles-Between-the-Glass



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Exterior wood ILT grilles available in Pine or Mahogany to match complete unit.

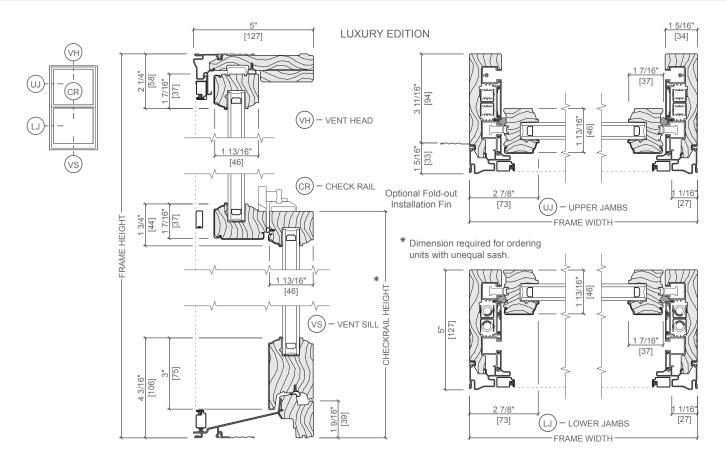


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Aluminum-Clad Exterior LX Single- and Double-Hung





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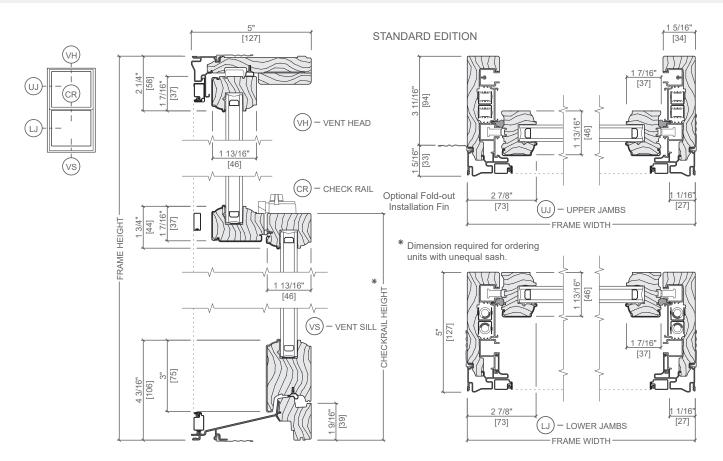


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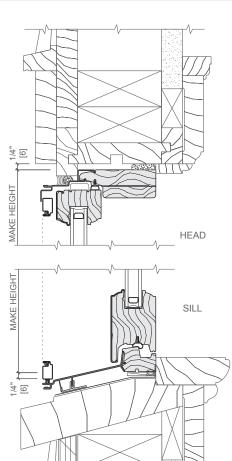
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INSTALLATION DETAILS

Aluminum-Clad Exterior LX Double-Hung





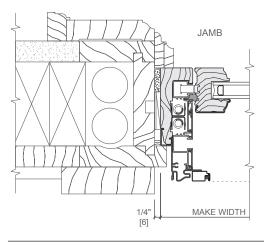
NOTE:

WALL CONSTRUCTION AND OLD DOUBLE-HUNG FRAME SHOWN ARE EXISTING; OLD DOUBLE-HUNG SASH HAS BEEN REMOVED. REFER TO THE APPROPRIATE PELLA INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION FOR COMPLETE STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS. SHIM AND PLUMB UNITS AS REQUIRED. SEAL UNIT TO EXTERIOR / BLIND STOP.

SEAL THE UNIT TO EXISTING STOOL AND WINDOW SILL.
SEAL ADJUSTABLE SILL ADAPTER TO EXISTING WOOD SILL.
LEVEL UNITS AS REQUIRED.

NOTE:

THE ADJUSTABLE SILL ADAPTER MAY BE REMOVED WHEN THE EXISTING WINDOW SILL HAS A SLOPE OF 12 DEGREES OR LESS.



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Inventory No: SMV.327

Historic Name: Veazie, William Rowhouses

Common Name: Veazie Row

Address: 137-145 Central St

City/Town: Somerville

Village/Neighborhood: Winter Hill

Local No:

Year Constructed:

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s): Italianate; Row House

Use(s): Single Family Dwelling House

Significance: Architecture

Area(s): SMV.BA: Somerville Single Building Local Historic District

Designation(s): Local Historic District (10/31/1989)

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NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The property is significant for :

- A its association with late 19th century residential development in the form of rowhouses, multi-family units of Winter Hill.
- C its representation of one of the in tact frame rowhouses in Winter Hill house.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

The two-story frame rowhouses, built by 1889, retain their bracketed eaves, turned porch posts supporting the pedimented entrance porches and the 2/2 sash. The rowhouse is a well conserved building that is a focal point of the corner streetscape in part due to the fine care taken in maintenance.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

By the 1890s much of Winter Hill had been developed with large houses for local and commuting businessmen. With increased rail service as well as increased industry in the south section of Somerville, came a need for moderate housing. The frame rowhouses on Central Street were in response to the changing needs and were the forerunners of larger apartment blocks. The proximity to the new Central Street station contributed to their popularity.

The rowhouses are built on land that had belonged to Oliver Tufts and his heirs for many years. This area is east of the Tufts Brickyards. Known as Veazie Row, the five unit rowhouses were built by local real estate developer William Veazie who lived on Walnut Street. Veazie was also a printer. Poll Tax Listings show residents at these addresses from 1889. Several names are found consistently in directories at this address and include Robert Mclaughlin, Lawrence Ogilvie (compositor), Charles Collins (post office agent), and several Hoffmans (all involved in merchant shipping.

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