



City of Somerville
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
City Hall 3rd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

DECISION

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 33 Cedar Street
PERMIT NUMBER: HP24-000061
OWNER: Genevieve Hansen
OWNER ADDRESS: 1278 144th Avenue, San Leandro, CA 9457
APPLICANT: Beantown LLC
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 402A Highland Ave, Somerville, MA 02144
DECISION: *Historically Significant*
DECISION DATE: August 20, 2024

This decision summarizes the findings made by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) regarding the historic significance of the principal structure at 33 Cedar Street.

LEGAL NOTICE

- *The Applicant seeks to demolish a principal structure constructed a minimum of 75 years ago.*

DETERMINATION

At their meeting on August 20, 2024, the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) voted 5-0 that the principal structure located at 33 Cedar Street is Historically Significant in accordance with *Section 7-28(e)(3)(a)(b)* of the Demolition Review Ordinance 2020-22, as amended 12-08-2022. The HPC determined that the following findings apply to the structure at 33 Cedar Street in that it is:

- Associated with one or more important historic persons or events, or with the broad architectural, cultural, political, economic or social history of the city or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*
- Historically or architecturally significant (in terms of period, style, method of building construction, or association with a reputed architect or builder) either by itself or in the context of a group of buildings, and therefore it is in the public interest to be preserved or rehabilitated rather than to be demolished.*

During their deliberations, the Commission discussed that the building retains much of its original architectural form and massing, with the front elevation also having much of its original fenestration details. Further, the Commission found that the building was part of a collection of front gable homes on Cedar Street and contributes to the pattern of the streetscape.

Therefore, the principal structure at 33 Cedar Street will proceed for a future public hearing regarding whether or not it should be Preferably Preserved.

Issued by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC):

Eric Parkes, *Chair*
Dick Bauer
Ryan Falvey
DJ Chagnon, *Alt.*

Robin Kelly, *Vice-Chair*
Denise Price
Daniel Coughlin, *Alt*
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