



City of Somerville

PLANNING, PRESERVATION & ZONING

City Hall 3rd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

TO: Kimberly Wells, City Clerk
FROM: Planning, Preservation & Zoning Division Staff
DATE: October 1, 2024
SUBJECT: Correction of Scrivener's Errors

Address: 53 Moore Street

Date of Decision: September 17, 2024

Date Filed with City Clerk: September 25, 2024

This decision for this property filed in the City Clerk's Office on the date referenced above contained the following scrivener's errors:

- The header of the decision should have included the word "denied" next to Certificate of Appropriateness.
- On page 1, under the determination section paragraph 1, the words "*HPC found that*" were added to the paragraph.
- On page 1, under the determination section, there was an incorrect sentence which should have said the following: "*The Commission found that the applicant did not provide documentation or physical evidence that the windows needed to be replaced as opposed to repaired and restored.*"

This memo serves as the correction of these scrivener's errors.



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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS (DENIED)

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 53 Moore Street
PERMIT NUMBER: HP24-000044
OWNER/APPLICANT: Susan Miller
ADDRESS: 53 Moore Street
DECISION: Certificate of Appropriateness **(DENIED)**
DECISION ISSUED: September 17, 2024

This decision summarizes the findings made by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) or their designee regarding the **Local Historic District property at 53 Moore Street.**

SCOPE OF WORK

- Replace six (6) second story windows.

DETERMINATION

Under the Somerville Historic Districts Ordinance (HDO) proposed alterations of Local Historic District (LHD) properties must conform to specific criteria set out in the *Design Guidelines*. In the instance of **53 Moore Street**, the HPC found that proposal does not meet the following criteria set out in *Design Guideline Section II.c.2* which reads as follows:

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 are 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 sash.

The Commission found that the applicant did not provide documentation or physical evidence that the windows needed to be replaced as opposed to repaired and restored. ~~physical or documentation evidence that replacement materials or elements were necessary for window replacement.~~

Due to the description of the work, the images of the proposed replacement materials submitted by the Applicant, and the provisions set forth in the Historic District Ordinance (HDO) and related Design Guidelines, the Applicant is **denied** a **Certificate of Appropriateness.**

Issued on behalf of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC):

Eric Parkes, *Chair*
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