



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

DECISION 2025 AUG 20 A 11:58

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 80 Irving Street
PERMIT NUMBER: HP25-000051
OWNER: Daniel A. Casparriello and Amanda A. Casparriello
OWNER ADDRESS: 80 Irving Street, Somerville, MA 02144
APPLICANT: Daniel A. Casparriello
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 80 Irving Street, Somerville, MA 02144
DECISION: Preferably Preserved
DECISION ISSUED: August 20, 2025

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This decision summarizes the findings made by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) regarding whether the principal structure at 80 Irving Street should or should not be Preferably Preserved.

LEGAL NOTICE

- The Applicant seeks to demolish a building constructed a minimum of 75 years ago.

DETERMINATION

At their meeting on July 16, 2025, the Commission determined the property to be Historically Significant.

At their meeting on August 19, 2025 the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) voted 4-0 that the principal structure located at 80 Irving Street is **Preferably Preserved** in accordance with *Section 7-28, subsection (f)(5)* of the Demolition Review Ordinance 2020-22, as amended 12-08-2022. The following finding applies:

a. "...the demolition of the building would be detrimental to the architectural, cultural, political, economic, or social heritage of the city."

During their deliberations, the Commission made the following findings:

- The property retains its general form and massing;
- It helps support the rhythm of the architecture along the street, as it has nearly identical massing to other adjacent houses on the street;
- Its removal would be disruptive to the streetscape, which defines the historic character of this section of the street;
- It is representative of working class housing built during a boom time for David Square; and
- It retains some of its original detailing.

Therefore, the principal structure located at 80 Irving Street may not be demolished and the 18-month demolition delay is hereby imposed.

Issued by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC):

Eric Parkes, *Chair*
Robin Kelly, *Vice-Chair*
Denise Price
DJ Chagnon, *Alt.*