

City of Somerville

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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

DECISION

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

29 Lowell Street (GARAGE ONLY)

PERMIT NUMBER:

HP25-000060

OWNER:

29 Lowell St LLC

OWNER ADDRESS:

519 Somerville Ave, Suite 2, PMB 232, Somerville, MA

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APPLICANT:

Anne Marie Noone

APPLICANT ADDRESS: 110 Atlantic Ave, Marblehead, MA 01945

DECISION:

NOT Historically Significant

DECISION ISSUED:

July 24, 2025

This decision summarizes the findings made by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) or their designee regarding the historic significance of the concrete block garage at 29 Lowell Street.

SCOPE OF WORK

Demolition of the concrete block garage located at 29 Lowell Street.

DETERMINATION

It has been determined by the Historic Preservation Commission's Designee that the concrete block garage located at 29 Lowell Street is NOT Historically Significant, in accordance with Section 7-28, subsection (e) (3) of the Demolition Review Ordinance 2020-20, as amended 12-08-2022. While the garage, based on its style and construction materials is "at least 75 years old," it has been deemed not to be:

- a. 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; or,
- b. 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.

Therefore, in accordance with Section 6 Delegation of the Demolition Review Ordinance (DRO) 2020-20, the concrete block garage located at 29 Lowell Street may be demolished. The Applicant is not required to take any further steps with the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) or its Designee.

The Applicant must proceed to the Inspectional Services Department (ISD) to pursue that department's permit to physically demolish the structure.

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

Eric Parkes, Chair

Robin Kelly, Vice-Chair

Dick Bauer

Denise Price

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DJ Chagnon, Alt.