



City of Somerville
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

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

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 42 Spring Street
PERMIT NUMBER: HP26-000013
OWNER: Eleanor C Schmidt
OWNER ADDRESS: 42 Spring Street, Somerville, MA 02143
APPLICANT: Garth Goldstein Studio
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 490 Broadway #4, Somerville MA, 02145
DECISION: Certificate of Appropriateness
DECISION ISSUED: March 31, 2026

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This decision summarizes the findings made by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) or their designee regarding the Local Historic District property at 42 Spring Street.

SCOPE OF WORK

- Replacement of three Harvey Vinyl windows with Marvin Simulated Divided Lite Ultimate Clad Wood windows on rear of structure.

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 42 Spring Street, the proposal meets the following criteria set out in *Design Guideline Section I, General Approach and item C: Windows and Doors* which read(s) as follows:

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 or 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-stripped and storm windows with a baked enamel finish as an alternative to the replacement of historic sash.*

As the windows are being replaced with a material that is more historically accurate to the original time period and nature of the structure. The color will match the current existing color and the size will reflect the original historic condition.

Due to the description of the work, the images (attached below) of the current condition and new window specs submitted by the Applicant, and the provisions set forth in the Historic District Ordinance (HDO) and related Design Guidelines, the Applicant is granted a **Certificate of Appropriateness**.

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

Eric Parkes, *Chair*
Dick Bauer
Ryan Falvey

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

