



City of Somerville

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Tufts Administration Building, Suite 211, 167 Holland Street, Somerville MA 02144

DECISION

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1 Walker Street (Concrete Block Garage, ONLY) A 9:38
PERMIT NUMBER: HP26-000020
OWNER: Emily Bhargava
OWNER ADDRESS: 1 Walker Street, Somerville, MA 02143
APPLICANT: Brausa General Construction – Luis Pereira
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 367 Medford St, Somerville MA 02145
DECISION: **NOT Historically Significant**
DECISION ISSUED: April 14, 2026

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 **1 Walker Street**.

SCOPE OF WORK

- Demolition of concrete block garage.

DETERMINATION

It has been determined by the Historic Preservation Commission's Designee that the **concrete block garage** located at **1 Walker Street** is **NOT Historically Significant**, in accordance with *Section 7-28, subsection (e) (3)* of the Demolition Review Ordinance 2020-20. While the **concrete block garage**, based on its style and construction materials is "at least 75 years old," it has been deemed **not** to be:

- 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,*
- 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 **1 Walker 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

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