



City of Somerville
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Tufts Administration Building, Suite 211, 167 Holland Street, Somerville MA 02144

DECISION

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 17 Clyde Street
PERMIT NUMBER: HP26-000007
OWNER: PJJP LLC
OWNER ADDRESS: 161 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02145
APPLICANT: Law Office of Richard DiGirolamo
APPLICANT ADDRESS: 424 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02145
DECISION: *Preferably Preserved*
DECISION DATE: August 4, 2026

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This decision summarizes the findings made by the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) regarding whether the principal structure at 17 Clyde 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 August 4, 2026 the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) voted [4-0] that the principal structure located at 17 Clyde 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:

- "...the demolition of the building would be detrimental to the architectural, cultural, political, economic, or social heritage of the city."*
- "... the negative impact on the heritage of the city would be exceeded by the benefit to the city of the development that would occur if the demolition were permitted to go forward."*

During their deliberations, the Commission found that the property is importantly associated with a unique architectural style for the neighborhood and streetscape and culturally associated with the brick-working and automotive industry in the area. On a motion made by Vice-Chair Kelly, seconded by Ryan Falvey, the Commission voted 4-0 to find the property Preferably Preserved. On a motion made by Vice-Chair Kelly and a second by Denise Price, the Commission voted 4-0 to adopt the findings of their determination.

Therefore, the principal structure located at 17 Clyde Street may not be demolished and the 18-month demolition delay is hereby imposed.

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

Eric Parkes, Chair

Robin Kelly, Vice-Chair
Denise Price
Ryan Falvey