



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

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 27 Maple Avenue
PERMIT NUMBER: HP26-000060
OWNER: Hope and Todd Palmer
OWNER ADDRESS: 24 Cliff Street, Nahant MA 01908
APPLICANT: Hope and Todd Palmer
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DECISION: Certificate of Appropriateness
DECISION ISSUED: August, 6, 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 27 Maple Avenue.

SCOPE OF WORK

- In-kind replacement of asphalt shingles and rubber roof

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 27 Maple Avenue, the proposal meets the following criteria set out in *Design Guideline Section B, Roofs*, 1,2,3, which read(s) as follows:

1. *Preserve the integrity of the original or later important roof shape*
2. *Retain the original roof covering whenever possible. If the property has a slate roof, conserve the roof slates. Slate is a near-permanent roofing material, and deterioration is generally caused by rusted roofing nails.*
3. *Whenever possible, replace deteriorated roof covering with material that matches the old in composition, color, size, shape, texture, and installation detail.*

The Applicant is proposing an in-kind replacement of materials.. The Applicant intends to refresh the color of the roof as they claim that the shingles they are replacing are not original to the principal structure.

Due to the description of the work and the material sheets 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

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