

WORCESTER HISTORICAL COMMISSION



CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS & BUILDING DEMOLITION DELAY WAIVER APPLICATION

(For properties located in the Crown Hill, Massachusetts Avenue or Montvale Local Historic District)

Planning & Regulatory Services Division \* 455 Main Street - Suite 404, Worcester, MA 01608 \* Phone 508-799-1400, x31440
Office Hours are 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

1. Building Address/Location: 79 William Street Worcester MA 01609 Date: April 24, 2024

2. Historic District: Elm Park Neighborhood

3. Date or Estimation of Original Construction: 1900

4. Description of Work: (please list and explain each proposed change separately. If replacing with like materials, note accordingly)

Area of Work

Other

Describe "Other" Area of Work

outside stairwell on back of house

Scope of Work - Describe Work to be Completed

We would like to have the back outside stairway (from third floor to ground) removed. This was added when the property was owned by the previous owner, and was not done with a building permit, does not meet code in several of it's specifications, and most importantly is hideous!

Describe the Condition of Existing Materials to be Removed

The condition of the stairwell is in good stable condition.

Describe Proposed Materials

Wood stairing and wrought iron railings would be removed. A piece of the wrought iron will likely be recycled and used to cover the 3rd floor screen sliding door that exists as an outdoor exit to the 3rd floor apt in this house.



5. Owner of Property:

DBA Name:

Owner Address: 79 William St, Worcester MA 01609

Owner Name: Juliet Fernandez

Owner Phone: 781-521-9169

6. Contractor Information:

Company Name:

Contractor Address:

Contractor Contact Name:

Contractor Phone:

7. Type of Building Construction removal of wood and wrought iron staircase
(Wood, Concrete, Steel, etc.)

8. List all the Uses of the Building residence
(Residence, Business, Industrial, etc.) # of Stories: 3

9. Code Violations/Health/Safety Issues: I believe that some of the railing heights are not to code

10. Reasons for full or partial demolition (i.e. changes to the exterior) including other alternatives explored:
This staircase was not something we would have added to this home. It is large, an eye sore, and not contemporaneous with the existing structure (which was built in 1900). It's existence also requires extensive and expensive upkeep to both the wood and wrought iron to keep the staircase safe as well as pleasing to the eye. We would rather it simply be removed.

11. Hardship, if applicable (usually is used when replacement is proposed in place of restoration of the original historic materials, features, or structures. Detailed cost estimates & comparisons of replacement v. restoration may be attached separately for the Commission's review)
No

Owner's Signature certifying that the above information is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge:

Handwritten signature of Juliet Fernandez

Date:

Handwritten date: 4/24/2024

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