

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMENTY DEVELOPMENT

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

September 28, 2012

Claude Augustin 437 North Main Street, #1 Brockton, MA 02301

Re: HPC 12.094 – 117 Washington Street, Somerville, MA

Dear Mr. Augustin,

The Historic Preservation Commission (Commission) received your application for an alteration to a Historic District Property on August 23, 2012. After a review of the application and a site visit, Staff made a determination that (1) the proposal to remove shingles and replace them with clapboards, all of which are visible from the public right of way and are within the jurisdiction of the Commission and are subject to their review. Therefore, the proposed changes specified above have been reviewed by the Commission at their hearing on Wednesday, September 19, 2012. They determined that the Certificate noted below is appropriate for and compatible with the preservation and protection of the historic district.

In accordance with the Somerville Historic District Ordinance section 6.d.1, which states, "[i]f the Commission determines that the construction or alteration for which an application for a certificate of appropriateness has been filed will be appropriate for or compatible with the preservation or protection of the historic district, the Commission shall cause a certificate of appropriateness to be issued to the applicant", the Commission voted unanimously (6-0) to grant a **Certificate of Appropriateness** to the Applicant, Claude Augustin, owner contingent upon the following conditions:

- 1. Remove circa 1940s wood shingle siding; and
- 2. Replace with clapboard with exposures to match original.

The Commission based its decision on your application and presentation at the hearing, Staff recommendations, photographs of the house, discussions and recommendations of the Commission members, and the Commission's adopted Design Guidelines for Historic Districts.



This letter shall serve as a Certificate of Appropriateness for the work described above.

This Certificate is granted upon the condition that the work authorized herein is commenced within one year after the date of issue. If the work authorized by this Certificate is not commenced within one year after the date of issue, or if work is suspended in significant part for a period of one year after it has begun, this Certificate shall expire.

Please take this letter to the Inspectional Services Department when applying for a building permit.

Sincerely,
This Chase

Kristi Chase

Preservation Planner

Cc:

John Long, City Clerk

Paul Nonni, Sr. Building Inspector, Inspectional Services Division.

George Proakis, Director, Planning Division

Dick Bauer, Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission

J. Brandon Wilson, Executive Director, Historic Preservation Commission