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STAFF MEMORANDUM

Meeting Date: November 21, 2024

DATE: November 14, 2024

TO: Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission

FROM: Barbara Kurze, Senior Preservation Planner

SUBJECT: Additional Review Information

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the members of the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission (Chestnut Hill HDC) with information about the significance of the properties being reviewed and the application process, which may be useful in the review and decision-making process of Chestnut Hill HDC. Additional information may be presented at the meeting that the Chestnut Hill HDC can take into consideration when discussing a Local Historic District Review application.

Dear Chestnut Hill HDC Members,

The following is additional information for the review of the Local Historic District Review applications.

314 Hammond Street, Boston College – Certificates of Appropriateness

Note: application is for the Children's Center at 47 Stone Avenue which is on the same parcel as 314 Hammond Street and is at the back of the historic building fronting Hammond Street.

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE: The 1899 Colonial Revival house was built on land that was formerly part of the nurseries owned by George F. Stone. Arthur T. Bradlee was the first owner and worked as a clerk in Boston.

APPLICATION PROCESS: This review is continued from the previous meeting. Commissioners said that aluminum-clad and vinyl windows were not appropriate replacements for the existing wood double-hung and awning windows at the Children's Center which is at 47 Stone Avenue behind 314 Hammond Street. The applicant has submitted an all-wood simulated divided lite window by Brosco.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Application: https://newtonma.viewpointcloud.com/records/844436

Pdf: Compiled 314 Hammond Assessors database map

Photos Floor plan



Elevations
Existing window detail and photos
Window product information
MHC Form B

142 Beacon Street, Boston College - Certificates of Appropriateness

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE: The 1924 Colonial Revival was designed by George Hitchings for Anna and Edward Lally. Edward Lally was in real estate with offices at 27 Lansdown Street in Boston. He developed, and sometimes lived in, properties on Chestnut Hill Terrace, Gate House Road, and Meigh Road.

APPLICATION PROCESS: This review is continued from previous meetings. The applicants have reduced the scope of work and only want to replace the side entry porch. They will not replace the existing aluminum siding. The side entry porch work includes: replacing the storm door, and removing the concrete steps, and the existing railings and post and building a new structure and stairs with Timbertech decking and Statement PVC rail systems. Product and material samples were provided for commission review.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Application: https://newtonma.viewpointcloud.com/records/844469

Pdf: Compiled 142 Beacon
Assessors database map
Historic photo
Photos of the house
Elevations with product and material siding
Section detail of the side entry
MHC Form B

61 Gate House Road - Sample Glass Approval

The chair did a site visit to compare the sample glass with the existing glass and approved the sample glass.

46 Woodman Road – Final Project Approval

APPLICATION PROCESS: There was an issue with the balustrade project work. The contractor expects to finish it before the meeting. Staff will send out photos of the completed work as soon as they are available.

Administrative discussion

Minutes: The July 2024 draft minutes are ready for review.