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STAFF MEMORANDUM

Meeting Date: November 5, 2020
DATE: October 26, 2020
TO: Newtonville 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 Newtonville Historic District Commission (Newtonville 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 the Newtonville HDC. Additional information may be presented at the meeting that the Newtonville HDC can take into consideration when discussing a Local Historic District Review application.

Dear Newtonville HDC Members,

The following is additional information for the Local Historic District Review applications that you should have received in your meeting packet.

Applications

76-78 Page Road – Certificate of Appropriateness

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE: The circa 1895 Queen Anne house was first owned by William H. and Inez E. Rogers. William H. Rogers worked in insurance in Boston at 30 Kilby Street.

APPLICATION PROCESS: The owners want to install concrete pavers in the area between the front walk and the driveway. The pavers will be like the ones used for the front walk. They also want to widen and pave the driveway area.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Assessors database map
Photographs marked to show areas of proposed work
Material information
MHC Form B

34 Prescott Street – Working Session

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE: The circa 1890 Colonial Revival house was built on the site of an earlier house. The carriage house appears to pre-date the house and was part of an 1880s estate. Levi Cooley, who worked as a china decorator in Boston, owned the property. The 1910 U.S. Federal Census lists him as the owner of a china factory and living in the house with his wife Agnes S., son Richard L., and servants Elizabeth S. and Margaret Miller.

APPLICATION PROCESS: This review of the proposed project to renovate the carriage house and convert it to a single-family unit is continued from the October meeting. The applicants have submitted revised floor plans and elevations. A site plan is included for the proposed driveway and parking configuration and a terrace but does not include the proposed materials or the existing configuration. Because the applicants did not submit any of the product and material information and details, this review will be a working session.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Plans

Elevations

Site plan

Photographs from the last meeting

Administrative discussion:

Minutes: The October draft meeting minutes are included for your review.