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ZONING REVIEW MEMORANDUM

Date: August 4, 2015

To: John Lojek, Commissioner of Inspectional Services

From: Jane Santosuosso, Chief Zoning Code Official

Alexandra Ananth, Chief Planner for Current Planning

Cc: Terrence Morris, Attorney

Wiremill LLC, Applicant

James Freas, Acting Director of Planning and Development

Ouida Young, Associate City Solicitor

RE: Request to extend a nonconforming two-family use in a Single Residence 3 district

Applicant: Wiremill LLC		
Site: 403-405 Parker Street	SBL: 81031 0039	
Zoning: SR-3	Lot Area: 17,048 square feet	
Current use: Two-family dwelling	Proposed use: No change	

BACKGROUND:

The property at 403-405 Parker Street consists of a 17,048 square foot lot improved with a two-family residence constructed circa 1891 in the Single Residence 3 zoning district. The structure is two and one-half stories. The applicants propose to reconfigure the existing structure into one unit, and add a second unit to the rear. The two units will be connected by two two-car garages with living space above.

The following review is based on plans and materials submitted to date as noted below.

- Zoning Review Application, prepared Terrence P. Morris, attorney, dated 7/6/2015
- Plot Plan, prepared by Boston Survey, Inc, dated 5/9/2015
- Architectural Plans, prepared by RAV & Associates, Inc, dated 4/30/2015
 - o Existing floor plans
 - o Proposed floor plans
 - o Existing elevations
 - Proposed elevations

ADMINISTRATIVE DETERMINATIONS:

1. The property is located in the Single Residence 3 zoning district. Creating additional living space extends the nonconforming two-family use, and requires a special permit pursuant to Section 30-21(b).

SR3 Zone	Required	Existing	Proposed
Lot Size	7,000 square feet	17,048 square feet	No change
Frontage	70 feet	79 feet	No change
Setbacks			
Front	25 feet	31.4 feet	No change
• Side	7.5 feet	20.2 feet	15.3
• Rear	15 feet	N/A	29.9 feet
Max Number of Stories	2.5	2.5	No change
FAR	.40 (.38+.02 bonus)	.14	.37
Max Lot Coverage	30%	6.7%	20.5%
Min. Open Space	50%	83.7%	61.1%

1. See "Zoning Relief Summary" below:

Zoning Relief Required			
Ordinance		Action Required	
§30-21(b)	To extend a nonconforming two-family use in a Single Residence 3 zoning district	S.P. per §30-24	