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STAFF MEMORANDUM

Meeting Date: July 1, 2021

DATE: June 17, 2021

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

15 Page Road - Certificate of Appropriateness

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE: The 1910 Colonial Revival style house was designed by architect Ernest N. Boyden for N. Henry Chadwick and his wife Sarah. N. Henry Chadwick died before he was able to move into the house. His widow Sarah lived in the house and took in boarders. The architect may also have designed "The Colonna" apartment building at 230 Walnut Street.

APPLICATION PROCESS: The owners want to replace the two-over-one double-hung attic dormer windows with two-over-one double-hung aluminum-clad SDL Pella windows.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Photographs
Product specs and information
MHC Form B

34 Prescott Street – Certificate of Appropriateness

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: The owners want to amend the previously approved carriage house elevations to change windows to doors on the front and rear elevations. They also want to add two permeable paver parking areas and a carport. One paver area would be to the left of the main house. The second paver area and the carport would be at the back of the main house. Staff requested elevation drawings to show the view of the carport relative to the main house so that the commission could understand how this would look from Prescott Street. Staff also requested product specs for the proposed doors.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

Site plan Drawings

Photo of permeable paver material

Administrative discussion:

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