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August 19, 2021

ATTENTION: Newton Historical Commission, c/o Ms. Katy Hax Holmes
PROPERTY: The Gershom Hyde House
SUBJECT: Denial of Any Application to Continue Work at 29 Greenwood
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Denial without Qualification

Dear NHC Members and Citizens of Newton:

My family and I are dismayed and saddened to learn of the destruction of the Gershom Hyde House. We have known of the Gershom Hyde House and have included it in our family history which extends back to Jonathan Hides who came to Cambridge Village in 1647. Gershom Hide was my 6x great-grandfather Timothy Hide's oldest son. Timothy Hide's house is restored and standing and is only a stone's throw away. They were both part of our family's legacy. Indeed, they are part of Newton's historical and cultural legacy as well.

Severe measures must be taken here to be sure this never happens again. Having lost the essence of its existence and its primary value to the community, what happens as a resolution of this tragedy is of paramount importance. The intrinsic value of the property has been forever lost, but the impact of this tragedy can live on into the future by denying use of the Gershom Hide property for any purpose other than the inform the future as an example.

Any application for a Continuation of Work, or a Certificate of Appropriateness must be denied. Further, the parcel should be cleared of the remaining structural carcass, perhaps retaining any original foundation elements. It should then be restored as open space. The City of Newton can create a unique zoning designation for this and future properties which might result in willful attempts to ignore the law and local standards as being left for posterity as open space. It can be a reminder of everyone's obligation to their fellow citizens and community. The denial can be a teaching moment.

The applicant cannot claim the action of denial and clearance as a "taking." In fact, it's the applicant who DID the taking. It took a historic resource and part of your community fabric away from Newton and away from the family history of a multitude of Newton Hydes. It devalued the entire community. The loss in monetary value to the applicant can't compare to the loss to Newton's historic inventory; and, while money can be replaced, the Gershom Hyde House has been lost forever.

Your denial of the applicant and a removal of the structure resulting in open space is the moral and ethical choice, and will help deter future destruction of resources by those who don't share our values. The open space parcel will stand as an example. There can be no excuses for what happened.

Sincerely,

Jerald R Hyde

Jerald¹¹ R. Hyde

(Documented Descendant of Jonathan¹, John², Timothy³ . . .)

8/19/21

To Newton Historic Commission

From: Jay C. Walter AIA & Russel Feldman AIA

Re; 29 Greenwood Street

Review of the drawing & work plan submission for Remediation of Violation.

After a careful review of the drawings and work plan dated 8/11/21 by DLA architecture We would like to share our findings with the Commission as to what is actually being proposed to help it ascertain if the proposal does indeed remediate the demolition.

The drawings indicate the following:

1. All the exterior walls of the proposed structure are new construction including the framing, sheathing, windows, siding and trim.
2. The roof structure is entirely new including framing and sheathing (NHC-3).
3. The foundation walls are concrete, poured before the stop work order. The exposed foundation on the exterior will be stucco. The original was field or rubble stone.
4. The first floor framing assembly is entirely new construction.
5. The remedial work proposed for what has already been built includes:
 - 5.1. Removing the entire new second floor framing assembly that had been set considerably higher than the original second floor and reframing the openings in the exterior walls to more closely align with the original locations. It appears the new design will use the original timber frame floor assembly, modified around the perimeter and in-filled at the original stairway. (NHC-1)
 - 5.2. The new exterior wall will be cut down to retain the original eave height. (NHC-1)
 - 5.3. Portions of the original timber frame will remain and be exposed on the interior.
6. The exterior walls appear to be located beyond the original timber frame perimeter (NHC 1,2,4 & 9). Because there are no overall dimensions or notes on the plans this is difficult to ascertain. The dimension string on NHC-5 adds up to approximately 40 ft while the width of the original building indicated on the Assessor's data base shows 36 ft. There are no dimensions for the depth of the structure however it appears the proposed footprint is larger front-to-back as well as side-to-side. The applicant needs to clarify the location of the poured concrete foundation walls relative to the original stone foundation walls.
7. Windows and doors are specified to be standard manufacturer products such as Brosco and Simpson. This will only approximate the dimensions and profiles of the original elements and will be of inferior materials. Products should match existing profiles and thicknesses, and be of sufficient quality when properly maintained to last for longer than a few years.

8.. The elevation drawings (NHC-6,7,8) indicate trim details, clapboard, rake trim and the canopy details will “match original” however we don’t believe there are any measured drawings of these details and very little photographic evidence to compare. We recommend that the Commission require details that identify profile and material of all important features including trim, columns, gutters, fascia, doors and windows, accompanied with supporting material to establish the basis for these details. This may include measurements of material recovered on the site or details of local buildings constructed by the same builder or of the same period as 29 Greenwood.

Mr Lang is a skilled architect with deep experience in preservation. He knows how to detail a house of this period however the fact remains that the Commission cannot be assured the new details will indeed replicate those of the original Hyde House.

Case in point, the work plan indicates the interior design concept is similar to the exposed post and beams at 999 Chestnut Street. However a photo of the original room with the large fireplace shows totally plaster finished walls and ceiling. This would be a point of pride for the owners of this period, to be able to afford to finish an interior without exposed timber framing. The proposed interior will have a very different feel.

9. It is unclear to us what the Code requirements would be for an entirely new building that is intended as a replica of an original historic structure. For example, is the energy performance of the replica to be that of new construction, or would the waivers allowed for historic structures be extended to this replica? We suggest that the applicant clarify this with ISD before the NHC approve this initial proposal, as Code requirements may materially change the submission.

CONCLUSION:

The drawings indicate that the only parts of the original house to be salvaged are the interior second floor and attic floor timber framing that will be exposed on the interior. These features, while of interest, are entirely interior and provide no historic value to the street or the community. The exterior, as proposed is totally new, possibly with the new walls pushed out beyond the original footprint of the building. The remedial work indicated in the drawings primarily consists of reducing the floor-to-floor heights back down to the original house dimensions. The submittal includes very little documentation of the original building’s dimensions, structure or details. In our estimation this proposal does not provide adequate remediation for the demolition of the original historic house.

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Gregory Fried <cgregoryfried@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 11:30 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Cc: scf7462@gmail.com
Subject: 29 Greenwood

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Dear Newton Historical Commission,

I am writing to express my disgust with the behavior of the developer who illegally and brazenly destroyed the Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road. I do not know the exact legal ramifications of such a disgraceful act of wanton vandalism, but even if not technically criminal, it was morally so, and the developer should in no way be allowed to profit from this outrageous abuse. Otherwise, the designation of "historic" will become meaningless and the Newton Historical Commission might as well shut its doors and wave in the bulldozers to demolish the Jackson Homestead and any other historic buildings that some unscrupulous developer might set their eyes on.

In the best of worlds, this developer should face criminal charges. Perhaps that is still possible. But failing that, the developer should not be granted any permission for redevelopment of the property. The only acceptable and just outcome would be for the developer to completely replicate the Gershom House, in close consultation with the Historical Society, to restore it as an historical site. Furthermore, the developer should be banned from any further projects in the city of Newton. Such a person cannot be trusted to behave in a professional and responsible manner, and an example should be made that such actions will not be tolerated.

No other solution would fit the reckless abuse of power and contempt for the historical sites of Newton that this developer demonstrated in their actions.

Thank you for your attention.

**Regards,
Gregory Fried
40 Central Terrace
Auburndale, MA**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Laura Tavares <lauraanntavares@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 6:44 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood Rd

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Dear Members of the Newton Historical Commission,

I'm writing in regard to the historic Gershom Hyde House on Greenwood Road. Like many other residents, I was appalled by developer Ty Gupta's brazen destruction of this historic property in my neighborhood.

When Mr. Gupta's proposal to "remediate" his violation comes before the Commission on August 26, I urge you to deny his application unanimously. Allowing Mr. Gupta to proceed with his plans and profit from his violation would send a message of impunity that will only embolden other developers to disregard our community's laws for their own benefit.

Members of this community have a legitimate interest in our historic buildings, neighborhoods and streetscapes, and we look to you, the NHC, to stand up for those interests. You have the opportunity to send a message that the history and laws of our town should be respected, and I urge you to take it.

Sincerely,
Laura Tavares
116 Arnold Rd.

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Russel Pergament <pergament@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 10:25 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Gershom Hyde disaster

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**--that's what it is--a 1744 legacy here obliterated because of the dishonest, unethical, illegal behavior of mr Ty Guphta---
H should never be rewarded for this betrayal of the public---
Russel Pergament
37 Holly Road
Waban, MA 02468**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Robert Fizek <rjfizek@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 11:33 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Cc: David Patterson; Vicki Danberg; Bill Roesner; Schuyler Larrabee; Nathaniel Lichtin; Srdjan Clinic
Subject: Thanks & Support of NHC

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Dear Chair Diamond & Members of NHC:

I and my neighbors would like to thank you for your diligence and judgments regarding the MBTA Station access upgrades project in Newton Highlands and the destruction of the historic home at 29 Greenwood. I would urge you to remain unimpressed by the claims of the developer, and seek a full and comprehensive restoration of that historic property. I will also ask for a similarly clear and rational rejection of the MBTA's over-designed and over-whelming plans. The scope of that project is un-necessary and would destroy the nature and character of that historic building and landscape, and thereby also severely impact the quality of the neighborhood and Village. And finally, please know that the community truly does appreciate your work in protecting our historic assets from careless or deliberate efforts to weaken the limited protections of useful and worthy structures and landscapes.

Sincerely,
Robert Fizek, Architect
Newton Highlands

Katy Hax Holmes

From: rrcexec@regulatoryresearch.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 10:07 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Newton Historical Commission - Re: 29 Greenwood

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Dear Ms. Holmes:

I am sending this letter to express to the Newton Historical Commission my extreme disappointment with the current process for protecting Newton's historical structures, especially those that are landmarked and on the National Registry of Historic Homes. We have an obligation to our descendants to preserve these prime historical properties so that future generations may gain insight into the remarkable pasts on which their present is constructed.

The destruction of 29 Greenwood by a developer who has shown constant disregard for the rules and regulations of preservation must be met by the Historical Commission with swift actions of extreme disapproval. Any attempt to allow this developer to profit from his egregious actions should be countered by denials of hitherto unused magnitude. These denials must prevent the miscreant from rebuilding anything but a carefully reproduced and understandably extremely expensive antique structure, while being supervised by an expert preservation architect for whose services he must be financially responsible. The alternative to this action must be to have him offer the property to the City, free of charge, as a permanent financial loss to himself and a tool for the Commission to employ again in the future if necessary. Anything less than these actions would be an invitation to those developers waiting in the wings to see if they will be forgiven with a gentle hand-slap for similar behavior.

Because of the magnitude of the damage to Newton's past that this developer's heretical actions have caused, the Historical Commission is obligated to act forcefully and without hesitation to deny his proposal and to impose heavy sanctions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sallee Lipshutz
24 Radcliff Road
Waban, MA 02468

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Marianne Talis <mariannetalis@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 9:21 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: historical homes

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**I believe that because of his flaunting the rules, the builder should be denied a permit to build! Thank you! Marianne Talis
72 Lincoln St #2 Newton Highlands, Ma**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Marci Sage <sseniorservices@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 6:59 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: landmark property Greenwood

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Dear NHC

Please use this email to note my objections to granting permission to the developer to continue to building on this site.

They ignored protocol of the renovations on an historic home. Please do not allow them to continue with their blatant disregard of rules set forth by the NHC.

Marci Mindick Sage
59 Littlefield Road
Newton Centre,MA 02459

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Vince Montavon <montavon11@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:30 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Gershom Hyde House

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Hello,

The destruction of the 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road should never have happened. It is very sad to see this part of our town history gone. Please deny the developer the right to build a new house to replace the historic home he demolished. This behavior should be punished not rewarded. If allowed to move forward it sets a bad precedent that other developers will most likely leverage to do the same with other Newton historic landmarks.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Vince Montavon
Waban**

Sent from my iPhone

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Dinah Bodkin <dinahbodkin2224@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:17 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes

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Dear Ms Holmes

I was appalled to learn of the destruction of 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road several weeks ago. It is my understanding that the developer who destroyed the home is seeking a permit to build a new home in the same location. Please deny his request due to his having destroyed one of Newton's oldest buildings in total defiance of all relevant ordinances and zoning laws.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dinah Bodkin

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Reza Khorshidi <reza.khorshidi@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 9:09 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood Rd property

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Dear Newton Historical Commission,

I am writing to express my outrage over the destruction of the historical property at the above address by the developer. I would like to encourage the commission to not allow this developer to put up the new structure on that lot based on this outrageous behaviour. Please consider your harshest possible punishment for his actions.

Sincerely,

**Reza Khorshidi
Resident since 2000
131 Brandeis Rd
Newton, MA 02459
Cell: 617-559-0462**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Nancy Dreyer <nancydreyer@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:51 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood Road

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to the Attention of the Newton Historical Commission

I strongly object to the deliberate disregard of local laws by the developer of 29 Greenwood Road. He should be denied the right to build any dwelling on that site.

He knew better.

If the developer profits from this site, other developers will follow suit.

Respectfully submitted,

**Nancy A Dreyer
328 Country Club Road
Newton Center, MA 02459**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Matilda Bruckner <matilda.bruckner@bc.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:21 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Ty Gupta's violation

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To the Newton Historical Commission,

I have signed the letter recommending that the developer who had the temerity to destroy one of the few pre-Revolutionary houses in Newton be punished by denying his petition to build a new house to replace the historic home and thus profit from the 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road he demolished. This will send a strong message to developers about the consequences of ignoring the protection that Landmark properties are granted.

I cannot attend the meeting on August 26th, but want to reinforce my opinion as expressed in the letter.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely yours,
Matilda Bruckner
516 Ward St, Newton Center

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Marshall Isman <marshall@abinitio.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 5:06 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 GREENWOOD STREET

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I am appalled at the destruction of a historic property by the developer at 29 Greenwood Street. I believe the current request for construction should be denied and in fact that developer and any company they are associated with should be denied any permits in Newton for at least the next 5 years. Developers have been demolishing houses and skirting all the rules and regulations in the city for many years. In addition, they do not follow the intent of any of the laws, they just stay within the letter of the law and then get around all other rules.

For example:

- 1) They show up at 8:15 on Saturdays and begin construction work.
- 2) They show up on Sundays to work when it is not allowed.

For both of these violations, I am told that I should call the police. Is that the best use of our police force? Also, what would happen? The builder would be fined some small amount of money and of course blame it on the sub contractor who is doing the work that day.

Another example:

- 1) The builder pulls a permit and pays fees based on saying that he spends \$5,000 on demolishing an existing house. We all know this is ludicrous, but it keeps the fees he pays the city down.
- 2) Then he claims he is spending \$600,000 building a house, again to cheat the city out of fees since he turns around a sells a lot he spent \$900,000 on, with \$5,000 of demolition and \$600,000 of improvements for around \$3 Million dollars. If that were really his costs and he was making \$1.5 Million on a single house, there would be an unbelievable bidding war for every lot. We all know his expenses are way more than \$5,000 to demolish the house and \$600,000 to build the 5,000+ square foot replacement house, yet the city let's the builders blatantly lie so they can make more money and deprive the city of resources.

Another example:

- 1) The builder drives all over the adjoining properties with heavy equipment. When you complain the builder always blames the contractor, but what can the adjacent home owners do?

Everything seems to be stacked in the builders favor as they are the ones who are friendly with the inspectors as the rest of us only do things once while builders do it all the time and know how to stretch the rules.

So the bottom line is that the city should use this particular developer as an example and not approve any plan for the 29 Greenwood Street property, and should ban the developer from doing any work in Newton.

Sincerely,
Marshall Isman
11 Valley Spring Road
Newton, MA 02458

Katy Hax Holmes

From: dan shaw <newtoncornerneighborhoodassoc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 5:04 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Cc: Stephen Farrell
Subject: 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road

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I am a resident of Newton corner in the organizer of the Newton corner Association

I was outraged to learn that the Gershom Hyde house had been destroyed by developer plans to replace it with the 21st century building. I think this is another example of the outrageous and contemptuous behavior that developers show our community. The idea that he could tear down a historic landmark without any penalty is unacceptable. His excuse is oops I made a mistake. How could someone accidentally tear down start landmark, I would assume when he bought building that he knew its status. HE should to be discouraged from developing the property by denying him a construction permit. He should not profit from his bad behavior

Dan Shaw
116 church st
Newton 02458

newtoncornerneighborhoodassoc@gmail.com

Apologies for the typos and confusing phrasing; a result of dictating using Dragon unnaturally speaking.
If parts of this email are confusing please get back to me.

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Katy Hax Holmes

From: Alexandra Novina <alexandranovina@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:36 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood Street

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing regarding the destruction of the 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road.

As a concerned Newton resident, I would like to ask the NHC to deny the developer's plans without exception. Granting the developer the approval he seeks puts the future of all of Newton's 25 remaining Landmark properties in jeopardy.

The demolition of 29 Greenwood was a significant historic loss. I hope NHC makes the right decision and denies the developer the right to build a new house to replace the historic home he demolished.

**Sincerely,
Alexandra Novina**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: David Persampieri <dapersy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:33 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 GREENWOOD STREET

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Dear NHC:

I understand that, after blatantly and apparently deliberately ignoring the terms of the previously issued permit for 29 Greenwood Street, the developer will be submitting plans to replace the 277 year old building that he tore down.

This so - called developer is a criminal. He has demonstrated willful disregard for the law and for the terms of previously issued permits. Given his past behavior and lack of remorse ("mistakes were made" - really??!), absent continuous monitoring, I would expect that we would disregard any new permit that was issued.

In my view, by his illegal actions, he has demonstrated that he cannot be trusted and therefore, should not be granted a permit for any kind of construction or special consideration in the City of Newton.

I urge you to deny his plans.

Thank-you,

Dave Persampieri
19 Fairmont Ave
Newton, MA 02458

Katy Hax Holmes

From: LAURIE BELL <bell_laurie@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 2:48 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes; Scf7462@gmail.com
Subject: Fw: 29 GREENWOOD STREET URGENT UPDATE
Attachments: 210623 THE NHC Petition.docx; 210826 NHC Agenda .pdf

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I support the sorrow and indignation over the loss of this Landmark property and the need to deny the developer the right to build a new house to replace the historic home he demolished.

Laurie Bell

From: Stephen Farrell <scf7462@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 10:51 AM
Subject: 29 GREENWOOD STREET URGENT UPDATE

Dear Newton Neighbor:

Petition Signers: Thank you again for signing the petition (attached) to the Newton Historical Commission (NHC) concerning the destruction of the 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road. Over 640 Newton residents and abutters have signed!

Developer's Proposal: The developer recently submitted plans to the NHC to replace the destroyed 277-year-old Hyde house with a 21st Century building. It appears that he proposes to use a few remaining boards and beams to legitimize his alleged "restoration."

The Petition: The petition asks the NHC to deny the developer's plans, without exception. Should the NHC grant him the approval he seeks, they will, in essence, abdicate all future authority to protect Newton's 25 remaining Landmark properties.

The NHC Hearing: The NHC's public hearing on the developer's plans is set for Thursday, August 26 from 7 - 8:00 PM. Please **ATTEND** the hearing via Zoom. The hearing agenda and Zoom access link are attached.

Write NHC: In addition to the August 26th meeting, we encourage you to send an email directly to the NHC stating your opinion on the loss of this Landmark property and the need to deny the developer the right to build a new house to replace the historic home he

June 23, 2021

Newton Historical Commission
c/o Ms. Katy Hax Holmes
City of Newton
Department of Planning and Development
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, Massachusetts 02459

Dear Newton Historical Commission:

We, the undersigned abutters to the property at 29 Greenwood Street and concerned residents of Newton, want to express our appreciation for the action of the Newton Historical Commission (NHC) on May 27, 2021, in voting that Ty Gupta, owner and developer of 29 Greenwood, violated the Certificate of Appropriateness and deciding that the Stop Work Order would stay in effect. And, voting to impose the continuing penalty of \$300 per day which is essentially symbolic but yet the maximum penalty you could assess. Thank you.

The destruction of the 4th oldest Pre-Revolutionary house in Newton, which had been granted Landmark status by action of your commission, causes outrage in and of itself. Two hundred and seventy-seven years of Newton history chain-sawed out of existence in 10 days is a tremendous loss to our community. The fact that the developer intended to profit in the millions following the calculated destruction of this historic farmhouse, a piece of Newton's history, is simply wrong.

We are deeply concerned that the consequence for this illegal action needs a severe response proportionate to the violation. Mr. Gupta has clearly demonstrated that he does not respect our laws or the importance of Newton's Landmark Ordinance.

We strongly urge that when the developer's revised plans and proposal for a new house (even with token historical elements added) are up for NHC decision, that you vote unanimously and without qualifications to deny his application for a revised Certificate of Appropriateness. Any lesser decision would fail to send the clear and unequivocal notice that such actions are not acceptable to the Commission, the City or the Newton Community.

Newton's history, much less its laws, deserve nothing less.

With appreciation,

Residents of Newton (See attached list)

P.S. Please advise us as soon as you know when 29 Greenwood proposal is on the NHC agenda.

SCF/

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Alyce Kuklinski <alyce.kuklinski@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 2:31 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Cc: Stephen Farrell
Subject: 29 Greenwood Street

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Dear Ms. Holmes,

I'm writing to ask you and the NHC to reject, without exception, Ty Gupta's recently submitted plans to replace the 277-year-old Hyde House that he recently demolished.

I'm disgusted by this developer's behavior and ask that you deny his request to build and profit from the unfortunate, illegal, and unnecessary loss of this important historic property in Newton.

Kindly,

Alyce Kuklinski
22 Byrd Ave, Newton

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Ira Hart <ira.hart@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 1:28 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 GREENWOOD STREET

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I would like to express my outrage at the teardown of the 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Road.

The developer should be penalized to set an example and prevent future destruction of our older homes without proper review.

Thank you.

**Ira Hart
8 Devon road
Newton**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Ric L <richarlev@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:53 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood St

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Katy

It is unfortunate that Newton will be losing this historic home; the developer's petition should be denied by the NHC. Please add my name to your E Mail list for future NHC meetings that discuss 29 Greenwood St. also, please send me a text link for the Zoom meeting on Aug 26th at 7PM.

Thanks

Rick Levin
Newton, MA

Sent from my iPhone

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Barbara John <barbaraj.massed@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:51 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Tear downs of historic buildings

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Please stop allowing developers from tearing down our history. I find it revolting that these people are tearing down every building in sight and replacing them with cheap particle board replicas of what was once a beautiful and old structure.

No more tear downs of historical sights.

Thank you.

**Barbara John
662 Boylston**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Schuyler Larrabee <schuyler.larrabee@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:40 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood Road

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To the Newton Historic Commission:

First, I am appalled that the Commission evidently did not have sufficient insight or knowledge of how to interpret the drawings submitted by the architect for the developer of the 29 Greenwood parcel. It is immediately evident to any person who can read drawings that the plans did not show anything like a restoration or even a preservation attempt to retain a 277-year-old building, the 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde house, one of Newton's protected historic treasures.

I understand that the developer has submitted plans to replace the destroyed building with a contemporary building. This, regardless of any inclusion of some "historic fabric," is completely unacceptable.

The NHC must refuse to approve the developer's plans to build ANY structure of any kind on the parcel. His cavalier attitude toward a Newton Landmark disqualifies him to make any sort of profit from building anything on that site.

**Schuyler Larrabee
184 Allerton Road
Newton Highlands MA 02461
617 864 3870**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: relsales@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 12:20 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood

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Ms Holmes

Please deny the developer the right to build a new house at 29 Greenwood St , replacing the destroyed historic home. He violated the law with arrogance and disregarded the historic character of the city for his own personal greed. Maintaining the historic character of Newton and the country is very important and adds to the charm of any city or town. I am a member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Leon Kadis

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Emily Honig <emily.honig@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:52 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood

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To whom it may concern:

I'm writing to ask you to deny all the plans to rebuild a new house on the site of the historic home at 29 Greenwood, which a developer illegally destroyed. If this project is permitted to go forward, it will create a terrible precedent in which Newton's historic preservation ordinances are entirely without teeth and ripe to be ignored. This property listing said the following, for example:

"Permits in hand. Shovel-ready, fully-permitted lot that fronts on desirable Greenwood Street. Antique house from 1700's (currently uninhabitable) will be rebuilt and expanded to 6,240 sf by the new owner. Attached are copies of permits, permitted plans, various approvals, inspection reports, existing condition drawings and topographical survey. The property has Conservation Commission and Historic Board approvals. The new house will have 5 to 6 bedrooms and 5.5 bathrooms. The design includes open plan living areas. As part of the construction, the antique house must be restored to original size and exterior features but can be fully renovated with foundation replaced. ... Building permits are in hand so you can close title and get to work with your back-hoe on day one!"

Of course, this was not accurate. The buyer tore it down with a stop work order in place and only a partial permit. It's outrageous to consider that the buyer could be rewarded for this bad faith act by being permitted to build a new home with token historic elements and profit in the millions. The precedent this would set is devastating. I urge you in the strongest possible terms not to reward this developer's antisocial behavior.

--

Best,

Emily Honig (889 Watertown Street)

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Katie Conroy <katie.evelyn.conroy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:42 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Destruction of 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde House

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To whom it concerns at the NHC,

My name is Katie Conroy and I am a resident of Newton (183 Allerton Road) and I would like to convey my urgent plea to completely deny the developers who deliberately and without remorse tore down a beautiful piece of history and are now trying to falsely make claims they are completing a "restoration" renovation. I have seen their ads on Zillow and this is a new jumbo home with zero restoration. I am devastated that the house is gone but we can prevent this from happening in the future by sending a message to other developers that they must abide by the law and not attempt to turn a quick profit by destroying historical property to make a modern mansion.

Please deny the developer the right to build a new house at the August 26th hearing.

Regards,
Newton Resident Katie

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Melinda Conroy <melinda.j.conroy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:33 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Destruction of 1744 Landmark Gershom Hyde House

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To whom it concerns at the NHC,

My name is Melinda Conroy and I am a resident of Newton (306 Langley Road) and I would like to convey my urgent plea to completely deny the developers who deliberately and without remorse tore down a beautiful piece of history and are now trying to falsely make claims they are completing a "restoration" renovation. I have seen their ads on Zillow and this is a new jumbo home with zero restoration. I am devastated that the house is gone but we can prevent this from happening in the future by sending a message to other developers that they must abide by the law and not attempt to turn a quick profit by destroying historical property to make a modern mansion.

Please deny the developer the right to build a new house at the August 26th hearing.

Regards,
Newton Resident Melinda

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Lee Bardin <leebhandy@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:31 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Cc: City Council
Subject: Objection to developers proposal for 29 Greenwood st - new construction

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To whom it may concern;

My name is Lee Bardin.
62 Rachel rd, Newton.
Previously,
105 Danehill Rd
6 Clifton Rd
241 Greenwood st.

I object to any permission or approval of any future construction to the site at 29 Greenwood st. By the developer, CSL on the permit or any of their affiliates.

This blatant disregard for the protection of any designated historic building is an attack on the laws that govern our zoning and historic preservation.

No developer or CSL can ever be allowed to profit following such a hideous act of intent or carelessness!!!

IF we allow this to happen, every well financed developer will have the precedent to do whatever they determine will become their most profitable plan.

I am a life long resident, a builder, an expert renovator, active in our community and I am outraged by this situation.

The process including this hearing should have the authority to; decline the developers request, Continue to enforce a cease and desist order, And provide a recommendation to the city authorities that the CSL on the permit be penalized by a formal complaint filed with the Mass Dept of Public Safety, Board of Building Regulations and Standards And all other authorities that oversee the CSL appeals.

Further I believe that the only appropriate penalty for this that will provide future protection for our zoning and historic preservation is the confiscation of the property, with future ownership taken by the city!

That is a clear and definitive example of the power of our community laws and our convictions to enforce them.

Respectfully,
Lee Bardin
62 Rachel rd.
Newton

NSHS class of 1972

617-828-9331

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Ron Sheklin <ron@sheklin.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:16 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood

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To the Newton Historical Commission,

It is my understanding that a developer bought a historical property at 29 Greenwood St and then destroyed that property without permission. This is an irreparable loss and must be punished, not rewarded. Under no circumstances should this developer be permitted to do anything further to the property or to profit from his ownership of the property. In my opinion, he should be forced to make monetary reparations (of an exorbitant sum) to the NHC and to our community, and I would not be upset if he did jail time. We cannot and should not stand for this type of abuse.

Regards,

Ron

Ron Sheklin
617-939-4372
ron@sheklin.com

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Theodore Orenstein <tporenstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:14 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Gets him Hyde House

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Tearing down that house was so outrageous that not only should that scofflaw be prevented from building a different building on that land, he should be forced by court order to rebuild the original house with as much of the original lumber as possible. If he doesn't, he should be put in jail for contempt of court order and be fined for an amount equal to the cost of the land, so the land can be taken away from him if he doesn't pay.

Theodore Orenstein
Newton resident

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Allen Katzoff <amkatzoff@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:09 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: Strongly opposed to granting developer permit to develop Hyde House Property

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I am appalled by the destruction of the Hyde House on Greenwood Road. The developer should not be rewarded with a permit.

The character of my neighborhood is being destroyed by out of place mansions. Somehow this has to stop.

Allen Katzoff
617-281-4629

Katy Hax Holmes

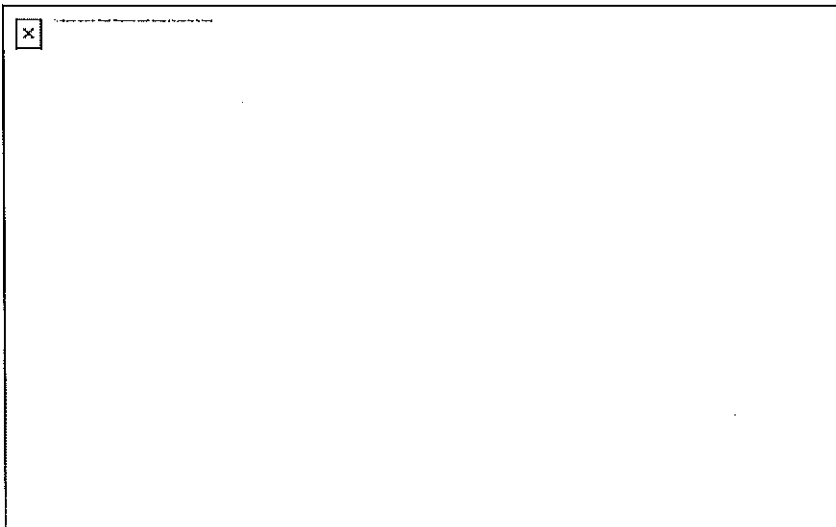
From: Jeff Hurwitz <jeff@interstatecontrols.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 11:08 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood St.

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I am a 49 year old born and raised in Newton. I went to the same Newton public schools that my two children now attend. I was appalled that the historic home on 27 Greenwood Street was demolished. The developer should not be able to make a profit from their disregard of our history and rules. Please deny any plan the current developer has to rebuild. They should be forced to sell the property at a loss and pay an additional penalty or lawsuit.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hurwitz



Katy Hax Holmes

From: Jim Wieder <mjwieder@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 5:59 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood St

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Newton Historical Commission -

Please do not reward the developers at 25 Greenwood Street for their illegal demolition of this historic house by permitting them to build on the property. What are laws and regulations for if they can simply be ignored?

We are neighbors of the Amos Judkins House at 8 Central Ave. in Newtonville which is also on the National Historic Places list. It is up for sale now and we fear that it faces a similar fate if the NHC doesn't do its job and prevent its demolition or significant modification by setting an example at 25 Greenwood St.

Sincerely,

**Margery and James Wieder
31 Judkins St. Newtonville**

Katy Hax Holmes

From: Jonathan Beit-Aharon <yonatanbeitaharon@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 12:05 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood street

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I urge you to deny any proposal by the developer, short of gifting the property including any reusable remnants of the lost building to the City of Newton.

That would still allow them to claim a loss and/or a donation on their tax returns, where they should be fined for intentional landmark destruction, with no tax benefits.

Sincerely
Jonathan Beit-Aharon
566 Centre Street
Newton, MA 02458-2325
(617)916-5115

Katy Hax Holmes

From: tom@thomasmcbride.com
Sent: Thursday, August 19, 2021 9:01 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes
Subject: 29 Greenwood Road, Newton

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Hi,

I am writing to express my concern over the unlawful demolition at 29 Greenwood Road. It seems that there should be consequences for this action, and request that you deny any application for work to be done there.

There should be additional consequences, to dissuade anyone from attempting to demolish without approval again.

Thanks,
Tom

Tom McBride
617.548.9367 (m)

41 Albert Road
Newton, MA 02466

16 F.R. Lillie Road
Woods Hole, MA 02543

Heather Zaring

From: Katy Hax Holmes
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 9:20 AM
To: Heather Zaring
Cc: Valerie Birmingham
Subject: FW: Thoughts about 29 Greenwood Rd, Newton

-----Original Message-----

From: eileen chodos <ecbdance@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2021 9:21 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes <kholmes@newtonma.gov>
Subject: Thoughts about 29 Greenwood Rd, Newton

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Hello,

I have not been involved close-up with the loss of the historic property at 29 Greenwood Rd in Newton due to the developers lack of respect for landmark properties and preservation of history in our town. However, hearing about it saddened me greatly and made this same developers request to build a modern house on the very same property disturbing. I firmly believe the developer should NOT be allowed to build ANYTHING on this property, as an appropriate response to his disregard of the importance of the properties value to the community.

Developers often see with money in their eyes, not heart, nor true vision. We have to stand up to their disregard, their callousness and their greed. We are a town with ties to the past, present and the future. We need to create that future with respect for what has come before us.

Thank you for reading this,

Eileen Chodos
161 Woodcliff Rd

Heather Zaring

From: Katy Hax Holmes
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 11:35 AM
To: Heather Zaring
Subject: FW: 29 Greenwood Street, Newton MA

From: Susan Legere, Ph.D. <susanlegerephd@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2021 11:11 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes <kholmes@newtonma.gov>
Subject: 29 Greenwood Street, Newton MA

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Greetings,

I was dismayed to learn about the destruction of Gershon Hyde house at 29 Greenwood Street. I write to ask that this developer not be granted permission to build a new house on this property. I also hope that we can tighten laws and regulations so that developers cannot easily destroy buildings of historic value in Newton.

Thank you,
Susan Legere
West Newton resident

Heather Zaring

From: Katy Hax Holmes
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 11:43 AM
To: Heather Zaring
Subject: FW: 29 Greenwood Road

From: spharch@aol.com <spharch@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 10:56 AM
To: Katy Hax Holmes <kholmes@newtonma.gov>
Subject: 29 Greenwood Road

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Newton Historic Commission

Katy Holmes,

At the meeting and public hearing on Thursday, August 26, please deny the developer without exception the right to replace the historic house at 29 Greenwood Road that he demolished. The City has to take a stronger role in preserving these landmarks before they are all gone.

The City seems to be allowing for-profit developers to destroy the existing housing stock in Newton faster than ever with all the tear-downs being allowed. Under the false belief that tear-downs will allow and therefore encourage more affordable housing units, many existing houses which could provide affordable in-law or accessory apartments are being torn down so developers can build two or more multi-million dollar units which are far more unaffordable than the original house with modifications to add an accessory unit.

When is City Hall going to favor the will of the people of Newton rather than absentee developers?

Thank you,

**Stephen P. Hamilton, Architect
155 Sumner Street
Newton, MA 02459**

Heather Zaring

From: Katy Hax Holmes
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Heather Zaring
Subject: FW: Gershom Hyde House

Here's another...

From: Deborah Kelley-Milburn <kelleymilburn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 4:43 PM
To: Katy Hax Holmes <kholmes@newtonma.gov>
Subject: Gershom Hyde House

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To the Newton Historical Commission,

I am writing to urge you to deny a Certificate of Appropriateness for the developer of 29 Greenwood Street. His demolition of this Landmark property under your special protection was egregious. He knew what he was doing, apparently following the adage, "It's easier to ask forgiveness than get permission."

I won't take your time elaborating all the reasons why he should be not allowed to profit from the destruction of a important piece of Newton's history. I will just beg you to deny forgiveness in this case and penalize him as much as possible, to deter future developers from attempting the same. If Ty Gupta is allowed to profit from illegally leveling one of the only pre-revolutionary houses in the city, it can open a floodgate to other developers thumbing their noses at the Historical Commission and doing what they damn please!

As the owner of a house on the National Register, I implore you to reject this application and continue to do everything in your power to protect the historically and architecturally significant properties in our beautiful city. They are irreplaceable.

Thank you!

Deborah Kelley-Milburn
19 Jefferson St.
Newton MA 02458

Heather Zaring

From: Josh Ehrenfried <putt4birdie@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 11:57 PM
To: Valerie Birmingham; Heather Zaring
Subject: Fw: 29 Greenwood, Newton

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Hi Val and Heather. I got an auto-reply from Katy's email to forward these to you. Please see below and thank you!

Josh Ehrenfried
78 Winston Road, Newton

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: josh.ehrenfried@yahoo.com <josh.ehrenfried@yahoo.com>
To: kholmes@newtonma.gov <kholmes@newtonma.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2021, 11:41:58 PM EDT
Subject: 29 Greenwood, Newton

Dear Newton Historical Commission,

It's late but I have been meaning to write. With grateful appreciation for the good work you do in our beloved city, I wanted to express my disappointment at the lack of restoration efforts made on this home at 29 Greenwood in our neighborhood.

We have lived on Winston Road for 8 years and drive by this address daily. Our young children and we always admired the old barn and farmhouse. I called the building department to understand why the trees were getting knocked down in the first place as I understood most of this land to be "undevelopable." It was explained to me that they changed the land status for the most western house, the barn was to be "replicated" as a new structure, and the farmhouse would be "restored." But what happened? My 7 year-old son who has read and watched "This Old House" since he was 4 y.o. would angrily remark this spring, "they're just taking it apart and ruining it!" I tried to defend the builders and awaited the restoration but inevitably, it became impossible. My son was right--they were literally taking demolishing the whole structure, one piece at a time, and tossing it into a dumpster until hardly anything was left. This was supposed to be a restoration, not the demolition it became. And what's next for the building? Will it come out looking like the old barnhouse or not really? If not, will the penalty match the crime and the criminal (so to speak)? I hope so.

I know little about penalties for such development but from what I understand in the business and word on the street is that they are relatively easy to swallow--when you buy land for \$1mm, spend \$1mm building, and sell a new 5,000 square foot house these days for \$3.5 million dollars, if the penalty is only tens of thousands or even \$100-200k dollars, it seems to send a message that it's worth buying old homes, doing whatever you will in utter disregard for the regulators and regulations and neighborhood, and just pay a small fee and profit away. I hope you hold them responsible for their wrongdoing and furthermore, do everything

possible to enforce their new building matching the appearance and restoration it was supposed to be.

Thank you so much for your efforts and listening.

Kind regards,

Josh Ehrenfried

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Heather Zaring

From: Laura M Foote <foote.path@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 25, 2021 1:39 PM
To: Valerie Birmingham
Cc: Heather Zaring
Subject: Gershom Hyde House at 29 Greenwood - - prior violations by Mr. Gupta
Attachments: BH_11-19-20_Minutes APPROVED.pdf

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Dear Val

Thank you so much for taking on this important role.

Regarding the 29 Greenwood Street landmark property on the NHC agenda for Aug 26:

Attached FYI is some background about the developer, Ty Gupta, mentioned for violations for two properties in Beacon Hill, in case his previous violations had not already come to light in the investigations being carried out by our city law department.

Laura Foote
West Newton

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura M Foote <foote.path@verizon.net>
To: kholmes@newtonma.gov <kholmes@newtonma.gov>
Sent: Wed, Aug 25, 2021 1:33 pm
Subject: Gershom Hyde House at 29 Greenwood - - prior violations by Mr. Gupta

Katy

FYI the attached was sent to me by a Beacon Hill resident, referencing Mr Ty Gupta and prior violations re historic houses.

Laura



**BEACON HILL ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

Boston City Hall, Piemonte Room
Boston, MA, 02201

NOVEMBER 18, 2020

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: *Arian Allen, Miguel Rosales, Danielle Santos, P.T. Vineburgh, Matthew Blumenthal, Alice Richmond,*

STAFF PRESENT: *Nicholas Armata, Senior Preservation Planner, Gabriella Amore, Preservation Assistant*

5:00 PM Commissioner Vineburgh called the public hearing to order.

I. VIOLATIONS

APP # 21.0375 BH 4 OTIS PLACE

APPLICANT: Ty Gupta

PROPOSED WORK: Ratification of unapproved exterior work

The applicant presented the application that was submitted in response to the violations that were heard at the last hearing. Details that were reviewed are:

- Front windows
- Intake/exhaust vents at rear façade
- two security cameras
- Hand rail
- Security gates
- Front door entryway paint
- Life safety alarm bell & strobe
- Electric outlet at front entry
- Front door buzzer
- Rear penthouse windows
- Window flower boxes.

The applicant explained the reasoning for the errors made during the renovation process, a miscommunication in the process after a ZBA meeting, and agreed to



resolve them as soon as possible.

The Commission discussed the project; it was concerning that there were so many violations seeing that the applicant has appeared before the Commission several times in the recent past. Many of the work items were never even applied for and should be reversed. Items discussed include the materials of the rear vents, the appropriateness of the penthouse windows, the need and appropriate location of the security cameras, the materials of the windows in the front of the property that are aluminum clad, the appropriate color of the door well, how to resolve the electrical outlet, and the need for shop drawings of the rail and its new location.

During public comment; members of the Civic Association, Richelle Gerwitz and Martha McNamara, expressed deep concern for this project's direction and for the owner's lack of respect for the landmark district process.

In conclusion; the application was approved with the following provisos;

- Motion to deny the four rear penthouse windows, they must be returned to the original configuration.
- The security camera needs to be removed, the door mounted one may stay,
- Shop drawings for the location and installation method of the railings must be submitted to staff.
- BFD life safety equipment requirements may stay as long as a letter can be provided stating it must be in their location.
- The front windows (all levels) aren't true divided or wood and need to be corrected. Shop drawings are to be submitted to staff.
- The sprinkler system connects are approved.
- The rear vents must be replaced with new vents that are appropriate materials and colors.
- The window boxes are approved.
- The window grates are approved but drawings must be reviewed.

M. ROSALES MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, D. SANTOS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).



RECORD OF VOTE ON 21.0375 BH

MOTION by: Rosales; SECOND by: Santos

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

**Indicates vote which was counted towards the final decision based on participation. For more information, please refer to the enabling legislation online at <https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/beam-hill-architectural-district>*

APP # 20.0520 BH 30 CHESTNUT STREET

APPROVED WITH PROVISOS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR₂, MR₁, DS, PV)

APPLICANT: Ty Gupta

PROPOSED WORK: Ratification of the removal of historic windows on the front, side and rear facade

The applicant was appearing before the Commission as a result of a stop work order that was issued by the Landmarks Commission after the windows on the property was removed without the approval of the Beacon Hill Architectural Commission. The applicant argued that the windows were not original and/or historic. The applicant was under the impression that because the windows were not original, they could be removed. Staff had attempted to arrange a time to review the windows on site but no meeting was confirmed.

The Commission discussed the issue at hand and expressed deep concern for the lack of respect for the purview of the Commission, and expressed frustration that this occurred. As a result, the Commission requested that all of the windows were reproduced with accurate configurations, including historic glass and weight and pulley systems. Storm windows may be installed for additional protection. Shop drawings should be submitted to staff for final approval.

During public comment, the Civic Association again expressed deep concern that the owner of the property did not respect the mission of BHAC and the neighborhood.

In conclusion, the application was approved with the provisos that all of the windows visible from the purview of the commission be replaced with historic replicas, including weight and pulley systems, historic glass and storm windows.

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**M. ROSALES MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, A. RICHMOND
SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).**

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 20.0520 BH

MOTION by: Rosales; SECOND by: Richmond

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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II. DESIGN REVIEW

APP # 21.0290 BH 30 CHESTNUT STREET

APPROVED WITH PROVISOS 6-0-0 (AA, MB₁, AR₂, MR, DS, PV)

APPLICANT: Alex Slote

PROPOSED WORK: Rebuild the chimney

The applicant, David Freed of Choo Architects appeared before the commission as result of the request of Commission Rosales at a previous hearing when the application was under administrative review. The work consisted of rebuilding a chimney that was leaning and in danger of collapse.

The Commission discussed this project and asked what type of brick and mortar will be used to rebuild the Chimney, the applicant indicated that the new brick would be hollow and that the mortar type and tooling could be submitted to staff for final approval.

During public comment the Civic Association expressed more concern for this project seeing that the last three applications are all from the same owner. The Civic Association also requested that this application not be approved until the other violations have been rectified.

In conclusion, the application was approved with the provisos that the brick sample and mortar sample are to be submitted to staff for final approval.

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**M. BLUMENTHAL MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, A. RICHMOND
SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).**

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0290 BH

MOTION by: Blumenthal; SECOND by: Richmond

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

**Indicates vote which was counted towards the final decision based on participation. For more information, please refer to the enabling legislation online at <https://www.boston.gov/historic-district/ beacon-hill-architectural-district>*

APP # 21.0293 BH 24 GARDEN STREET

Applicant: Michael Thiim

Proposed Work: Replace front door and hardware

The applicant provided the details of the project which consisted of replacing the non-historic door with a new door that was salvaged from an antique store. The door is wood with a rectangular transom light at the top. This door was meant to mimic the neighboring property that had one that was similar.

The Commission debated the door, and questioned why the door was selected, seeing that this property already had a transom light above the door. The Commission did not have any issue with the hardware and the paint color.

During public comment the Civic Association indicated that the style of door that is proposed is not appropriate for the architecture of the structure and suggested that a door with no transom window be selected.

In conclusion the application was approved with the provisos that a solid panel door can be approved and the details are to be submitted to staff for final approval.

**M. BLUMENTHAL MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, D. SANTOS
SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-1-0 (AA, MB, MR, DS, and PV) (AR)**

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0293 BH

MOTION by: Blumenthal; SECOND by: Santos

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: Richmond

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APP # 21.0293 BH 126 CHARLES STREET

Applicant: Millicent Cutler

Proposed Work: New storefront signage

The applicant was applying for a new sign for their storefront which was a small hanging blade sign that will be hung using existing hardware equipment.

The Commission discussed the project and decided that the sign was appropriate size, shape and materials and saw no area of concern.

During public comment the Civic Association expressed concern for the materials and coloring of the signage and did not recommend approval.

In conclusion the application was approved as submitted.

**D. SANTOS MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, A. ALLEN
SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).**

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0293 BH

MOTION by: Blumenthal; SECOND by: Santos

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0376 BH 10 WALNUT STREET

Applicant: Steven Young

Proposed Work: Replace sidewalk bluestone slab with brick. Add granite curbing.

The applicant presented the details of the project which involve replacing the blue stone slabs in front of the property that were most likely installed around the 1930s. The applicant indicated that the stone is cracking, and a safety hazard. Their recommendation was to replace the slabs with wire cut brick similar to what is seen throughout Beacon Hill. Additionally, the space underneath the blue stone was hollow, creating additional challenges. Over the years, the stone have sunk as a result of cars driving over the sidewalk, for parking.

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The Commission acknowledged that the bluestone was in bad shape but the existing conditions could potentially be repaired to make safer.

During public comment, several members of the building as well as neighboring properties all expressed support for the project (Chris Ciotti, and Bob Hesslein). The Civic Association (Charlotte Thibedou, Martha McNamara, and Rob Whitney) requested for the blue stone to remain, regardless of the materials on the other sidewalks; the “quirkiness” was part of the charm of Beacon Hill. Another member of the public, Rosanne Foley the Executive Director of the Landmarks Commission indicated that the bluestone could be scored to make it safer. Additionally, these types of slabs can be found at selvedge shops throughout the region.

In conclusion the application was approved with the provisos that the not repairable blue stone be replaced in kind and that the remaining blue stone be reset in place.

A. ALLEN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, D. SANTOS SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, DS, and PV). M. ROSALES DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THIS REVIEW OR VOTE.

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0376 BH

MOTION by: Allen SECOND by: Santos

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0377 BH 20 WEST CEDAR STREET

Applicant: Garret Goodrich; Hickox William Architects

Proposed Work: Repaint front door and trim; replace door hardware, new house number, new pendant light fixture. Replace glass glazing in side lights with frosted glass. At rear façade, replace 2 windows (See Additional Items Under Administrative Review)

The applicant provided the details of the application which consists of repainting the front door, replacing the hardware, and replacing the pendant light fixture. The door side lights are being proposed for replacement with frosted glass. Additionally, there were two windows that are being proposed for replacement and expansion; which are only slightly visible from the street (the purview of the Commission).

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The Commission discussed the project and decided that because the portions of the window that are visible from the street are not changing, and that they are not original, they may be enlarged and replaced. The Commission stressed that the frosted glass is not approvable, as it is described in the guidelines and thus would not be approved. The door hardware, light fixture and paint were all approvable and acceptable. The doorbell was not approvable and needed to reflect the guidelines better (brass face, small, non-illuminated).

During public comment the Civic Association's comments reflected the same sentiment of the Commission.

In conclusion the application was approved with the provisos that the side lights surrounding the front door is denied, the remaining elements are approved with the provisos that the doorbell shop drawings are submitted to staff for final approval. The paint is to be approved as BM White.

P. VINEBURGH MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, M. ROSALES. SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0377 BH

MOTION by: Vineburgh SECOND by: Rosales

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0378 BH 22 IRVING STREET

Applicant: Liz Murphy

Proposed Work: Replace four, 2 over 2, wood windows with four, 2 over 2, aluminum clad windows

The applicant presented the details of the project, who was presenting to the Commission because it was brought to her attention that the windows that were installed in her property were not appropriate for the architecture of the building. The windows were aluminum clad and had a reflective coating. The applicant indicated that she wanted to make the project right. She originally requested for the property owner above her who had also replaced their windows but (seemingly) did not seek out approval from the Commission or the building department.

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The Commission understood the situation but maintained that had the contractor for the project applied for the correct permits, this problem would not have occurred. The Commission stated that while they appreciate the applicant's honesty, but they are in a position where they must be consistent with their rulings and reject the windows for more appropriate windows.

During public comment, the Civic Association expressed similar sentiment. In conclusion, the application was approved with the provisos that the windows are replaced with historically appropriate windows, the details of which should be remanded to staff for final approval.

P. VINEBURGH MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, M. ROSALES. SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0378 BH

MOTION by: Vineburgh SECOND by: Rosales

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0379 BH 104 MOUNT VERNON STREET

Applicant: Elliot Olson; Hickox Williams Architects

Proposed Work: Replace two basement level windows in kind

The applicant presented the existing conditions of the application. It was discovered while performing the work on the façade that was previously approved by the Commission that the window wood was rotted as a result of water runoff from the street. It seems that either the home settled more or the sidewalk rose slightly over the years. They now wished to replace the windows in kind.

The Commission discussed the project and whether the windows could be salvaged. The Commission questioned if the glass on the windows was historic (they were) and if they could be used in the new windows (Yes). The applicant did not provide any letters from window restoration specialists that stated the windows could not be restored.

During public comment the Civic Association requested for the windows to be restored rather than replaced.

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In conclusion the application was approved with the provisos that two letters from two separate window restoration specialists be obtained stating that the windows could not be restored. If they could not, shop drawings are to be submitted to staff for final approval.

P. VINEBURGH MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, M. ROSALES. SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0379 BH

MOTION by: Vineburgh SECONDED by: Rosales

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0380 BH 63 MOUNT VERNON STREET REMOVED AT REQUEST OF APPLICANT

Applicant: BPG Mount Vernon Street

Proposed Work: ~~Install Bronze memorial plaque on front facade~~

APP # 21.0381 BH 55 WEST CEDAR STREET

APPROVED WITH PROVISOS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS₂, PV₁)

Applicant: Chris Bunker

Proposed Work: At front façade, replace all windows. Paint basement level window grates, repaint front and rear door and trim in kind.

The applicant provided the details of the project which consisted of replacing all of the windows on the front façade in kind. The windows are currently one over one and not historic.

The Commission discussed the proposal and thought the idea was fine, but shop drawings for the windows need to be submitted to staff for final approval. The door transom was not being replaced. The painting was acceptable as proposed.

During public comment, the civic association questioned whether the windows were at one point two over two, which should be looked into.

In conclusion, the application was approved with the provisos that shop drawings be submitted to staff for final approval.

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P. VINEBURGH MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, D. SANTOS. SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0381 BH

MOTION by: Vineburgh SECOND by: Santos

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0382 BH 3 SENTRY HILL PLACE Determined to Be Exempt

Applicant: Gerry DiPierre

Proposed Work: ~~Repaint front door in kind, replace door hardware, replace light fixture in kind~~

APP # 21.0383 BH 74 BEACON STREET

APPROVED WITH PROVISOS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR₂, MR₁, DS, PV)

Applicant: Mike Carey; KMC Builders

Proposed Work: Remove existing roof deck and rail, repair rooftop pool leak, reinstall roof deck in kind

The applicant presented details of the project which mainly consisted of a project that is not visible from the street. The rooftop pool on the top roof deck was leaking and needed to be sealed after the roof decking was removed. To do this, the rail on the deck needed to be temporarily removed. The applicant provided previously approved letters that proved that the deck was in fact approved but the location of the rail that was approved was unclear.

The Commission discussed the project and at the request of staff questioned as to whether the deck railing was installed properly. The rail was extremely visible from multiple vantage points in the Public Garden and several points on Beacon Street all in the purview of the Commission.

During public comment the Civic Association also expressed concern over the visibility of the existing rail.

In conclusion the application was approved with the provisos that staff verifies that the existing hand rail was approved.

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M. ROSALES MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, A. RICHMOND SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0383 BH

MOTION by: Rosales SECOND by: Richmond

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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APP # 21.0384 BH 45-47 MOUNT VERNON STREET

Applicant: Caroline Kung

Proposed Work: Remove existing shutters, construct and install new shutters to match historic shutter

The applicant, Caroline Kung represented the two buildings condominium board. The two buildings were actually combined to create a larger building. The existing shutters were in disrepair and needed to be replaced using the same design and paint color. The applicant requested that the shutters on both facades be installed and painted in the same color to reflect a cohesive style reflecting the new interior configuration of the buildings. The applicant indicated that the existing shutters could not be repaired in their current condition.

The Commission reviewed the proposal and asked why the existing ones could not be repaired. They also questioned if some components of the shutters could be reused, the applicant agreed. The Commission also debated whether the shutters should be painted to match each other on the buildings. It was decided that this was fine.

During public comment the Civic Association requested that the shutters be repaired rather than replaced, and that the colors remain the same.

In conclusion, the application was approved with the provisos that the new shutters use as many of the existing shutter parts as possible and that the colors are approved as submitted.

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M. ROSALES MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION, A. RICHMOND SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, and PV).

RECORD OF VOTE ON # 21.0384 BH

MOTION by: Rosales SECONDED by: Richmond

AFFIRMATIVE: Allen, Blumenthal, Richmond, Rosales, Santos, Vineburgh

NEGATIVE: None

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III. RATIFICATION OF THE MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 15, 2020

P. VINEBURGH MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES ALLEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, PV).

IV. STAFF UPDATES

V. ADJOURN –9:00 PM

P. VINEBURGH MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE HEARING, ALLEN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 6-0 (AA, MB, AR, MR, DS, PV).



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Environment



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Mayor Martin J. Walsh

Meeting minutes are a general summary of the events of the hearing. A complete recording of this hearing is available on [Boston.gov/landmarks](https://www.boston.gov/landmarks).

BEACON HILL ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION

MEMBERS: **MO:** Arian Allen, **BHCA:** Vacancy, **HNE:** Miguel Rosales,
BSA: Danielle Santos, **GBREB:** P.T. Vineburgh,
ALTERNATES: **MO:** Alice Richmond, **BHCA:** Matthew Blumenthal,
HNE: Vacancy, **BSA:** Wen Wen, **GBREB:** Vacancy

Members of the Newton Historical Commission,

We are writing today to provide some context and personal history for the now-destroyed farmhouse at 29 Greenwood Street. Our father, the late Dr. Edward Friedman, purchased it in 1956 and lived there until he moved out in 2011; we both grew up in the house, which makes us and our brother John the last children to have done so, after nearly three centuries of Newton families living there, building their lives, and passing it along to the next generation.

It was obviously not a modern dwelling - it was full of idiosyncrasies and layers of the past. The core of the home was quite old; successive generations added onto it and made it their (and our) own, some modifications being more successful than others. Whoever first installed indoor plumbing seems to have done so before “bathroom” was a widely-understood concept, with the result that the upstairs bathroom sat atop the kitchen stairs, and needed to be passed through in order to get to any of the bedrooms on the second floor. The floors creaked, the ceilings were low, the rooms were small, the basement was terrifying; it was not a fancy Newton house.

But what it lacked in modern conveniences, it made up for in history, both the capital-H History that is most relevant to the city and the community at large, and the smaller, quieter domestic history that made it a unique place to grow up, and somehow united us with everyone who had lived there before. In the cellar was a false chimney that was rumored to have concealed fugitive enslaved people as a stop on the Underground Railroad. In the back rooms were jars that dated from its time as a jelly factory, and in the barn were old stirrups from when it was a working stable (where, incidentally, Alice’s mother went riding as a student at Wellesley in the early 40s, years before moving in).

At the same time, it was neither a museum nor some sort of dilapidated relic. It was a fully functioning house, which had been added onto, renovated and updated continually over the centuries to meet its owners’ needs. Most recently, in the early 1990s, Jared’s mother oversaw the addition of a new modern kitchen. A suitable location was chosen (an empty shaft between the two L-shaped wings of the house, not visible from the street), an architect was hired, the city was consulted, and rules were established and followed. The result was a spacious kitchen with a cathedral ceiling, granite countertops and all the latest 90s accoutrements, which both allowed us to live more comfortably and preserved the integrity of the house.

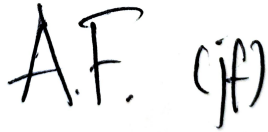
That, in the end, was the real responsibility of 29 Greenwood Street’s owners - to take this house that had endured since before the Declaration of Independence, fix what needed fixing, add features to bring it into the modern era, and keep it alive for the next

owners. Would it have been more profitable to simply knock it down and build an opulent mansion on the highly desirable piece of land that it occupied? Undoubtedly. But doing so would have both senselessly destroyed a priceless piece of Newton history, and broken the law. To allow Mr. Gupta to profit in any way from the destruction of 29 Greenwood Street would both reward his vandalism, and further incentivize unscrupulous developers to hold cultural property cheap.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J.F.', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the left.

Jared Friedman

Handwritten initials 'A.F.' in a simple, blocky font, followed by '(jf)' in a smaller, more cursive script.

Dr. Alice Friedman







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Newton Historical Commission
29 Greenwood Street, Newton, Massachusetts
August 26, 2021 Hearing

I. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Prior to its destruction in April 2021, the Gershom Hyde House, a colonial style, two story farm house that was built in 1744, stood at 29 Greenwood Street in Newton Centre. *City of Newton Assessing Records*.
2. In 1986 the 29 Greenwood Street property was listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and the Gershom Hyde House was, prior to its destruction, considered to be historically significant. *Newton Revised Ordinances, Section 22-50. National Register of Historic Places (Newton, Massachusetts)*.
3. The Newton Historical Commission (“NHC”) completed a Landmark Report of the 29 Greenwood Street property in 1997. The NHC found the Gershom Hyde House to be architecturally significant as one of only “twelve pre-1800 houses remaining in Newton of which only a few were built before 1750...” and that it had retained “the massing and scale of its eighteenth century origins and ... its context which retains some of the rural atmosphere that once articulated the use of the property and the social and economic lives of its inhabitants.” The Gershom Hyde House was designated a Newton Landmark by the NHC in 2005. *Newton Local Landmarks Program 29 Greenwood Street Report, at 5; Staff Memo, August 26, 2021 NHC Hearing Packet*.
4. Edward W. Friedman, Trustee of the 29 Greenwood Nominee Trust, sold the Gershom Hyde House to Twenty-Nine Greenwood LLC/Keith Moscow in 2012. The NHC issued a Certificate of Appropriateness to Moscow in 2017, authorizing “restoration of the house and construction of a rear addition”. *Staff Memo, August 26, 2021 NHC Hearing Packet*. In support of his application, Moscow submitted a structural engineering report to the NHC that stated “...with thoughtful focused attention and investment of dollars to areas of greatest structural compromise, this house can be preserved for ongoing residential use into the future.” *Report of Siegel Associates, NHC file*. Following the subdivision of the 29 Greenwood Street property, the NHC issued Moscow a new Certificate of Appropriateness, which expressly required preservation of the chimney. *Certificate of Appropriateness dated March 4, 2020, NHC files*.

5. In late January 2021, Moscow sold the Gershom Hyde House to the present owner, 29 Greenwood LLC/Ty Gupta (the “property owner”). The records of the Newton Assessing Department report that the exterior of the structure was in “fair” condition in 2021. *City of Newton Assessing Records*.
6. On February 11, 2021, Inspectional Services Department Commissioner John Lojek issued a Stop Work Order to the property owner for violations of the Newton Demolition Delay Ordinance and exceeding the scope of work approved by the NHC under the Landmark Ordinance. *Stop Work Order dated February 11, 2021*.
7. On April 27, 2021, a Newton Inspectional Services Department (“ISD”) employee observed that the Gershom Hyde House “had been replaced with new framing.” The work observed at the site was described as “not in keeping with the previously issued Certificate of Appropriateness and was undertaken without a new Certificate of Appropriateness that may have permitted full demolition of the structure.” *Staff Memo; August 26, 2021 NHC Hearing Packet*.
8. The Landmark Gershom Hyde House was, in fact, demolished as defined in the Newton Landmark Ordinance. *Newton Landmark Ordinance, Section 22-61; Photos, Exhibit A*. Nearly all of the exterior architectural features of the House were destroyed and/or discarded, including the chimney, framing, siding, windows and doors. Some of these elements were discarded in a dumpster on the property; others were removed off site. *Photos, Exhibit B*.
9. On April 30, 2021, Inspectional Services Department Commissioner John Lojek issued a second Stop Work Order to the property owner, for the same violations of the Newton Demolition Delay Ordinance and exceeding the scope of work approved by the NHC under the Landmark Ordinance. The remedy under the Order, and the prior Order, states that the property owner must “Seek approval from Newton Historical Commission” in order for the Stop Work Order to be lifted. *Stop Work Orders dated February 11, 2021 and April 30, 2021; May 27, 2021 NHC Hearing testimony*.
10. The NHC conducted a hearing on May 27, 2021 for the purpose of “reviewing the violation [of the Certificate of Appropriateness issued by the NHC] and remediation”. At the hearing, the property owner conceded, through his representative, that a “mistake” had been made. At the conclusion of the hearing,

the NHC determined, by unanimous vote, that the Certificate of Appropriateness had been violated. *May 27, 2021 NHC Hearing Agenda and testimony.*

11. The NHC scheduled a hearing on August 26, 2021 to review the property owner's plans to remediate the violation. The plans submitted to the NHC for review on and after August 11, 2021 propose to "preserve the *remaining material* from the original house and *rebuild* the structure." The plans do not include an inventory of the "remaining material." *Staff Memo; Plans.*
12. The property owner has not applied for a new or enlarged Certificate of Appropriateness for work exceeding the scope of the Certificate of Appropriateness issued by the NHC in 2017 and 2020.
13. After hearing and review of the plans submitted by the property owner, the NHC finds that the property owner's proposed plans to remediate the violations identified in the February 11, 2021 and April 30, 2021 Stop Work Orders issued by ISD Commissioner Lojek are neither appropriate for, nor compatible with, the preservation or protection of the Gershom Hyde House under the City of Newton's Landmark Ordinance.

II. APPLICABLE LAW

Chapter 22, Section 22 -50: Demolition Delay

(e) Non-Compliance. Anyone who demolishes a historically significant building or structure without first obtaining and complying fully with the provisions of a demolition permit issued in accordance with this section shall be subject to a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each day of violation of this ordinance. In addition, unless a demolition permit issued in accordance with this section was obtained and unless such permit was fully complied with, including full compliance with plans and elevation drawings signed and stamped by the commission, the commissioner may elect to (1) issue a stop work order halting all work on the building or structure until the commission notifies the commissioner in writing that the applicant has appeared before the commission to address such non-compliance, and the commission has accepted the applicant's plans to remediate such noncompliance ..."

Chapter 22, Section 22-65: Landmark Ordinance

- a. Except as this division may otherwise provide, unless the commission shall first have issued a certificate of appropriateness, a certificate of non-applicability, or a certificate of hardship, no building, structure, exterior architectural feature or landscape of a landmark shall be altered or demolished

nor any building or demolition permit issued therefor by the city or any department thereof.

- b. Any person who desires to obtain a certificate from the commission shall file with the commission an application for a certificate of appropriateness, a certificate of non-applicability, or a certificate of hardship, as the case may be, in such form as the commission may reasonably determine, together with such plans, elevations, specifications, materials, or other information the commission deems necessary to enable it to make a determination on the application.
- c. The commission shall issue a certificate of appropriateness to the applicant:
(1) if the commission determines that the construction, alteration or demolition for which an application of appropriateness has been filed will be appropriate for or compatible with the preservation or protection of the landmark, or (2) if prior to the issuance of any disapproval, the commission, as it may, notifies the applicant of the commission's proposed action and includes, as it may, recommendations for changes in the applicant's proposal, which may include recommendations as to appropriateness of design, arrangement, texture, material and similar features, that, if made, would make the application acceptable to the commission and within fourteen days of the receipt of such notice, the applicant files a written modification of his application in conformity with the recommended changes of the commission.

III. CONCLUSIONS AND DENIAL OF REQUESTED RELIEF

Under G.L. c. 40, s. 8D, the NHC is expressly charged with the “preservation, promotion and development of the historical or archaeological assets of the City [of Newton]”, and with enforcing the City of Newton’s Landmark Ordinance.

By demolishing the 277 year old, historically significant, Landmarked Gershom Hyde House without authority from the NHC, the property owner violated the Landmark Ordinance, which is in place to “provide the highest level of protection for properties determined to be the most architecturally or historically significant in the city ... and discourage the destruction of or damage to such resources and the encouragement of compatible development.”

The property owner seeks NHC acceptance of his plans to “preserve the *remaining material* from the original house and *rebuild* the structure” in order to remediate his noncompliance with the Ordinance. However, the photographs of the site provided by the property owner in his plans, and the absence of an inventory of the material or historical elements that remain on the site or elsewhere are fatal to his request. Because there is no evidence in the record of this case that any reasonable amount of remaining material is left of the historic structure, and because

rebuilding the house cannot be expected to restore its distinctive historical features, the property owner's plans to remediate his violation are determined to be unacceptable.

Moreover, because the property owner has never applied for a new or enlarged Certificate of Appropriateness for work beyond the scope of the Certificate of Appropriateness issued by the NHC, and because the NHC finds that the property owner's proposed plans are "neither appropriate for, nor compatible with, the preservation or protection" of the Gershom Hyde House, the property owner's request for acceptance of his plans in remediation of his violation of the Certificate of Appropriateness is DENIED.

WHEREFOR, the below members of the Newton Historical Commission hereby find and declare that the property owner's request for acceptance by the NHC of his plans submitted on and after August 11, 2021 to remediate his noncompliance with Chapter 22, Section 22 -50 of the Newton Revised Ordinances and/or to seek a new or enlarged Certificate of Appropriateness under Section 22-65 of the Revised Ordinances is DENIED.

By: THE NEWTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION:

_____, Chair

Dated: August _____, 2021

**Newton Abutters and Residents Requesting
The Newton Historical Commission
To Deny the Owner of 29 Greenwood Street
Any Application, Without Exception,
For Approval To Continue Construction
Following His Destruction of Said Property**

1 Jerry	Hyde	8X	Grt Gardson of Johathan Hyde
2 Jared	Friedman		29 Greenwood Last Residents
Aaron	Beitner	66	Greenwood St
Adam	Kitzis	82	Oakland Rd.
Adele	Kauffman	2	Albion Pl
Agnes	Olshansky	20	Sutecliffe Pk
Alanah	Cannavo	410	Langley Rd
Albert W.	Leisinger	1002	Beacon St.
Alex	Cronneim	45	Waban St. #5
Alexandra	Brill	45	Waban St. #5
Alexandra	Novina	319	Ward St.
Ali	Shwartz Abutter	5	Cynthia Rd
Alice E.	Ingerson, Ph.D	1823	Beacon St.
Alison	Au	115	Meadowbrook Rd
Alison	Montague	9	Estabrook Rd
Allan S	Bufferd	8	Whitney Rd
Allen	Katzoff	126	Oakdale Rd
Alyce	Kuklinski	22	Byrd Av
Amanda	Caruso	67	Tolman St
Amanda	Michel	56	Rockland Pl
Amy	Bowen	127	Brookline St
Amy	DiMarzio	47	Larchmont Av
Amy	Kropke	9	Wyoming Rd
Amy	Present	346	Winchester St.
Anatoliy	Eybelman	154	Cynthia Rd
Andrea	Insoft	56	Littlefield Rd
Andrea	Nadai	10	Dwhinda Rd
Andrew	Goldstein	16	Hartman Rd
Andrew	Wales	5	Rotherwood Rd
Angela	Bader, MD	87	Woodlawn Dr
Angela	Gordon	46	Winston Rd
Angela	Nielsen	129	Wood End Rd
Ann	Donovan	18	Sylvester Rd
Ann	Duvall	33	Madison Av
Ann	Manaktala	67	Beaumont Av
Ann E	Cohen	50	Court St.
Ann Hodes	Seskin	657	Boyltson St.

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Ann S	Rosenberg	153	Lincoln St
Anne	O'Hearne	30	Woodhaven Rd
Arlene	Varsamis	23	Prentice Rd
Arman	Chitchian	79	Brandeis Rd
Arnold	Paul	226	Park St
Arthur	Dion	409	Winchester St.
Arthur	Jackson	19	Shaw St
Arthur	Magni	107	Mount Vernon St
Ashely	Wang	84	Littlefield Rd
Aviva	Bock	181	Gibbs St
B.	Silver	70	Elgin St
Barbara	Apstein	210	Nahanton St #3
Barbara	Darnell	296	Lake Av
Barbara	Herrmann	17	Winchester St.
Barbara	John	662	Bolyston St
Barbara	Litman-Pike	59	Brookside Av
Barbara	Love	31	Clearwater Rd
Barbara	Murphy	88	Woodcliff Rd
Barbara	Terris	269	Franklin St
Barbara	Wales	5	Rotherwood Rd
Barry	Cohen	2	Albion Pl
Barry	Greenstein	70	Winston Rd
Barry	Payne	280	Islington Rd
Ben	Sigda	38	DeForest Rd
Bernard	Friedland	134	Wendell Rd
Bernice	Wong	1863	Commonwealth Av
Beth	Cronin	17	Fairway Dr
Beth	Goldstein	57	Honeywell Av
Bethany	Sonderling	95	Lincoln St
Beverly	Ash	48	Greenwood St
Beverly	Paoli	54	Manchester Rd
Bill	Dickenson	93	Waban Pk
Blair	Baker	3	Magnolia Av
Bonnie	Katz	114	Windermere Rd
Boris	Katsnelson	154	Mill St
Brad	Michel	56	Rockland Pl
Brenda	Mulligan	118	Adena Rd

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Brett	Treacy	25	Whitlowe Rd
Brian	Lannery	31	Dorr Rd
Bridget	Lannery	31	Dorr Rd
Bruce	Kimball	14	Woodhaven Rd
Cameron	McLeod	14	Colgate Cir
Candace	Jones	35	Leslie Rd
Candace	Sidner	49	Lawmarissa Rd
Carol	Clark	1058	Walnut St
Carol	Cohn	15	Bemis St
Carol	Pina	42	Grove St
Carol	Summers	11	Marshall St
Carolyn	vanderLaan	4	Fordham Rd.
Carolyn	Gabbay	11	Doris Circle
Carolyn	Kraft	Abutter	295 Dudley Rd
Carolyn	Moss	37	Converse Av
Carolyn	Stone	66	Verndale Rd
Carolyn F	Gombosi	30	George St.
Carolyn F	Maibor	30	Silver Lake Av
Cary	Geller	120	Cynthia Rd
Catherine	Greene	11	E. Quinobequin Rd
Catherine	McEachern	58	Myrtle St
Catherine	Stabile	35	Colgate Rd
Cathleen	Cavanaugh	65	Allerton Rd
Chao-Min	Lee	84	Littlefield Rd
Charlene	Brotman	22	Howard St
Charles	Farrell	127	Langley Rd
Charles	Flagg	36	Lucille Pl.
Charles	Hawley	57	Lindbergh Ave
Charles	Jacobs	289	Highland Av
Charles	von Laudermann	35	Gilbert St
Chaya	Gzernowin	31	Larch Rd
Cheryl	Forte	888	Watertown St.
Chris	Hamblin	9	Burdean Rd
Chris	Lai	64	Parker St
Chris	Masterman	21	Hale St
Christine	Nunziato- Bonenfant	194	Parmenter Rd
Christine	Rankovic	94	Berkshire Rd

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Christopher	Dwyer	83	Madison Av
Christopher	Gant	77	Waban Hill Rd
Chung-Ming	Hsieh	22	Olde Field Rd
Cindy	Callaway	83	Grove Hill Av
Cindy	Massoff	237	Spiers Rd
Cladia	Wu	25	Sewall St.
Claudette	Beit-Aharon	566	Centre St
Claudia	Friedsam	1013	Walnut St
Clemency C	Coggins	48	Islington Rd
Constance	DeVol	62	Harding St
Craig	Milley	56	Webster St
Curisse	Jaffee	8	Hallron Rd
Cynthia	Carter, MD	1870	Commonwealth Av
Dahlia	Ehrenfried	78	Winston Rd
Dan	Hawkins	37	Converse Av
Dan	Massoff	237	Spiers Rd
Dan	Shaw	116	Church St
Danial	Baird	36	Duffield Rd
Daniel	Greenberg	158	Collins Rd
Darrell	Gurevitch	143	Woodcliff Rd
Dave	Hofert	863	Commonwealth Av
Dave	Persampieri	19	Fairmont Av
David	Bluestein	74	Larchmont Av
David	Day	21	Fern St
David	Garrett	116	Arnold Rd
David	Gullette	68	Pembroke St
David	Kuppeuheimer	12	Sylvester Rd
David	Medoff	11	Brandeis Rd
David	Montagut	9	Estabrook Rd
David	Ohanian	28-2	Columbia Av
David	Outerbridge	24	Madison Av
David	Patterson	10	Newbury Ter
David	Peck	21	Littlefield Rd
David	Podolsky Abutter	14	Greenwood St
David	Stricker	65	Allerton Rd
David B	Cohen	66	Vine St
David T.	Weaver	32	Littlefield Rd

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Dawn	Ash	48	Greenwood St
Dawn	Plummer	304	Central Av
Deborah	Allen	10	Newbury Ter
Deborah	Gardner	130	Kirkstall Rd
Deborah	Kelley-Milburn	19	Jefferson St
Deborah	Portnoy	60	Burdean Rd
Deborah Z	Atwood	17	Vineyard Rd
Debra	Peck	21	Littlefield Rd
Debra G	Friedland	134	Wendell Rd
Denise S	Zandman	17	White Av
Denys	Glushkov	54	Winston Rd
Derek	Buchler	99	Deborah Rd
Diana	Freedman	36	Lucille Pl.
Diane	Dion	409	Winchester St.
Diane	Fassino	85	Hillside Av
Dichen	Ramachandran	90	Hull St
Dimiter	Kostov	118	Adena Rd
Dinah	Bodkin	39	Waban Av
Donald A.	Fishman	68	Littlefield Rd
Donald P	Barker, MD	212	Grant Av
Donna	Lee	76	Littlefield Rd
Donna	Levanthal	21	Bonnybrook Rd
Donna	Lomp	15	Antonellis Cir
Donna	Pinto	26	Saxon Rd
Donna	Podolsky Abutter	14	Greenwood St
Dorene	Blythe	39	Columbus St
Dorothea	Buckler	200	Dudley Rd
Duncan	McEachern	58	Myrtle St
Dylan	Hardy	27	Willow St. #2
Edith	Segal	75	Littlefield Rd
Eileen	Khorshidi	131	Brandeis Rd
Elaine	Moy Abutter	20	Greenwood St
Elena D	Wright	94	Ridge Av
Elizabeth	Gagnon	26	Maple Av
Elizabeth	Hamblin	9	Burdean Rd
Elizabeth	McVittie	11	Norumbega Ct
Elizabeth	Powell	20	Walker St

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Elizabeth	Shade	114	Temple St.
Elizabeth	Stolar	174	Oliver Rd
Elizabeth	Rutherford	50	Crosby Rd #1
Elizabeth	Wing	504	Comonwealth Av.
Ellen	Golding	7	Larkspur Rd
Ellen	Parker	346	Winchester St.
Ellen S	Glinner	49	Grove Hill Pk
Ellen Sue	Sigman	847	Dedham St
Elli	Crocker	151	Mount Vernon St
Emily	Ball	119	Oakdale Rd
Emily	Honig	889	Watertown St.
Emily	Krausz	47	Maplewood
Emma	Geller	120	Cynthia Rd
Emma	Klien	15	Newell Rd
Emma	Vesey	186	Highland Av
Enoch	Huang	46	Colverdale Rd
Eric	Klein	15	Newell Rd
Eric	Montagut	10	Burdean Rd
Erica	Fields	66	Solon St
Erik	Sobel	23	Norman Rd
Erika	Pond	62	Upland Rd
Erika	Schluntz	96	Waban Av
Esther	Finkelstein	24	Littlefield Rd
Evan	Drake	40	Chase St.
Eve	Berne	55	Hillside Rd
Eve	Bould	667	Chestnut St
Eve	Groper	49	Newbrook Cir
Eve	Hofert	863	Commonwealth Av
Evelyn	Umlas	30	Cheswick Rd
Eylsia	Moy	31	Wade St
Faith	Justice	44	Churchill St
Faith	Park	17	Highland Pk
Faith	Paul	226	Park St
Faith	Witte	371	Highland St
Felecia	Barton	42	Parsons St.
Flokin	Luca	46	Heatherland Rd
Fran	Mervyn	59	Summit St.

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Francis	Goldberg	40	Mason Rd
Fred	Chanowski	111	Countryside Rd
Freya	Hurwitz	71	Oakdale Rd
Garrett	Stuck	22	Erie Av
Garrett	Van Siclen	240	Plymouth Rd
Gary	Rucinski	40	Clearwater Rd
Gary	Shapiro	40	Chase St.
George	Mylnikov	160	Boylston St
Gerald	Tuffin	11	Newbury Ter
Geralyn	Coticone	56	Rockland Pl
Gordon	Finnig	62	Playstead Rd
Grace	Dily	111	Oakwood Ter
Gregory	Fried	40	CentralTer
Habib	Sioufi	116	Algonquin Rd
Harlan	Sonderling	95	Lincoln St
Harrison	Bamel	28	Winston Rd
Heather	Mackler	1116	Walnut St.
Helen	Doona-Caudill	846	Watertown St.
Helen	Mayar		Newton
Helen	Nayar	75	Grant Hill Av
Helen	Sroat	60	Wildwood Av
Hilary	Kassler	30	Harrison St.
Hobart	Nichols	10	Forest Grove
Howard	Marget	847	Dedham St
Howard	Rosenof	9	Vincent St
Howard S.	Ben-levi	195	Varick Rd
Howard S.	Slavin	64	Collins Rd
Hyunkyung	Lee	38	Duxbury Rd.
Ian	Lamont	85	Islington Rd
Inez	Freidman-Boyce	31	Rockland Pl
Ira	Hart	8	Devon Rd
Isaiah	Wyner	119	Windemere Rd
Ivy	Delaney	21	Shaw St
Jack	Neville	68	High St
Jack Nusan	Porter	79	Walnut St
James	Cote	934	Watertown St.
James	Plummer	304	Central Av

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Jan	Levin	48	Littlefield Rd
Jan	Small	53	Paul St
Jane	Goldstein	240	Plymouth Rd
Jane	Ipsen	33	Philbrick Rd
Jane	Rosenof	9	Vincent St
Janet	Boguslaw	2	Newbury Ter
Janet	Paraschos	1	Leighton Rd
Janet	Sterman	120	Church St
Janet	Zwanziger	148	Dartmouth St
Jared	Shwartz Abutter	5	Cynthia Rd
Jason	Hutchinson	48	Lantern La
Jay	Bovarnick	15	Winston Rd
Jay	Harney	42	Central St.
Jay	Portnoy	60	Burdean Rd
Jean	Artin	41	Hyde St
Jean	Stehle	79	Randlett Pk
Jean E	Macrae	107	Day St
Jeanne R.	Jackson	15	Forest St
Jeff	Hecht	525	Auburndale St
Jeff	Hurwitz	71	Oakdale Rd
Jeff	Levinson	25	Leslie Rd
Jeff	Reed	1314	Walnut St
Jeffrey	Scherz	21	James St
Jenn	Breslouf	390	Cherry St
Jennifer	Bornstein	130	Andrew St
Jennifer	Reed	1314	Walnut St
Jenny	Martin	370	Cherry St
Jerrie	Spencer	16	Bacon St.
Jessica	Scott	1151	Commonwealth Av.
Jill	Goldstein		Newton
Jim	Gagnon	26	Maple Av
Jim	Wieder	31	Judkins St
Jimmy	Moy Abutter	20	Greenwood St
Jinlei	Liu	51	Parker Ter
Jo-Louise	Allen	24	Indiana Ter
Joan	Schulz	64	Hatfield Rd
JoAnn C	Feldstein	21	Clark St

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Joanne	Klein	15	Newell Rd
Joel	Umlas	30	Cheswick Rd
Joel M	Stevens	222	Homer St
John	Arduino	63	Fisher Av
John	Barnett	60	Oxford Rd
John	Birnstengel	55	Wheeler
John	Campbell	25	Crehore Dr
John	Cannavo	410	Langley Rd
John	Deming	67	Carl St
John	Grandin	42	Lawrence Rd
John	McElduff	46	Layette Rd
John	Otis	64	High Rock Ter
John	Zwierzko	88	Arnold Rd
John J.	Tsay	19	Carthay Cir #A
Jonathan	Bamel	28	Winston Rd
Jonathan	Beit-Aharon	566	Centre St
Jonathan	Bornstein	130	Andrew St
Jonathon	Swersey	184	Islington Rd
Jose	Perez	28	Austin St
Joseph	Collins	18	Neal St
Josh	Ehrenfried	78	Winston Rd
Joshua N	Musher	1942	Washington St
Joy	Baron	41	Glen Av
Joy	Reichling	40	rochester Rd
Joyce	Krensky	14	Grayson Ln
Joyce A.	Fishman	68	Littlefield Rd
Judi	Burten	11	Warren Rd
Judith	Boroschek	32	Indian Ridge Rd
Judith M	Neville	68	High St
Judy	Amlie	39	Central Av
Judy	Battat	9	Billings Pk
Judy	Bloom	99	Oakdale Rd
Judy	Kohn	518	Quinobequin Rd
Julia	Bell	11	Crocker Cir.
Julia	Carmel	58	Elinor Rd
Julia	LaGuette	63	Cynthia Rd
Julianne	Kaputa	16	Highland Pk

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Julie	Katten	532	Parker St
Julie	Uttaro	3	Melbourne Av
Julie	Winsett	33	Alexander rd
Karen	Sherman	57	Pine Crest Rd
Karen	Slote	117	Garland Rd
Karen J.	Fishman	68	Littlefield Rd
Kate R	McLeod	14	Colgate Cir
Katherine	Kotik	7	Bernard St
Kathy	Cade	195	Islington Rd
Kathy	Fyfe	529	Ward St.
Kathy	Rosen	405	Wolcott St
Katie	Conroy	183	Allerton Rd, #1
Keirnan C.	Klosek	97	Lake Av
Kerry	DelloRusso	83	Madison Av
Krista	Corr	52	Gardner St
Larry	Brown	25	Summer St
Larry	Ramin	80	Pine Ridge Rd
Lauie	Bell	250	Hammond Pnd PKY #1113N
Laura	Foote	333	Otis St.
Laura	Gray	359	Otis St.
Laura P	Barnett	42	Sevland Rd
Laure R.	Naylor	489	Walnut St
Lauren	Bamel	28	Winston Rd
Lauren	Cary	62	Playstead Rd
Lauren	Deictenberg	438	Lowell Av
Lauren A.	Berman	52	Central St.
Laurence	Becker	26	Beecher Pl.
Laurence	Rosenberg	153	Lincoln St.
Laurey	Mauck	40	Hereward Rd
Laurie	Collis	15	Crystal
Laurie	Grill	100	Valentine St.
Laurie	Palepu	170	Chestnut St
Laurie Ansonge	Ball	119	Oakdale Rd
Leah	Reich	70	Winston Rd
Leah	Swchwartz	78	Pine St
Lee	Bardin	62	Rachel Rd
Lee	Corissa	511	Watertown St.

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Leila	Jalinous	77	Winston Rd
Leon	Kadis	7	Clifton Rd
Leonard	Muellner	998	Beacon St.
Leslie	MacGregor	213	Pearl St
Leslie	Robison	24	McCarthy Rd
Lex	Van der Ploeg		Newton
Lillian	Leavitt	86	Allerton Rd
Linda	Fritz	36	Morse Rd
Linda	Leisinger	1002	Beacon St.
Linda	Matchan	73	Hartman Rd
Linda	Ross	31	Clearwater Rd
Lisa	Gianelly	25	Leslie Rd
Lisa	Rucinski	40	Clearwater Rd
Lisa	Thorson	37	Kappius Path
Liz	Bouvier	35	Newbury St
Lorenz	Rhomberg	11	Newbury Ter
Loretta	Wieczner	70	Ridge Av
Lori	Zinner	41	Marcellus Dr
Lorraine	Gray	359	Otis St
Lou	Membrino	25	Princess Rd
Louise	Kittredge	5	Harrington St
Luaura	Tavares	116	Arnold Rd
Lucy	Caldwell-Stair	46	Woodcliff Rd
Lynn	Scheller	216	Pleasant St
Lynn	Slobodin	61	Washburn Av
Lynn	Widrich	88	Bound Brook Rd
Lynne	Robbins	71	Heatherland Rd
Lynne	Tuffin	11	Newbury Ter
Malee	Nelson	133	Park St
Malinda	Hamilton	155	Sumner St
Mara S	Taylor	53	Gray Cliff Rd
Marci	Beitner	66	Greenwood St
Marci	Sage	59	Littlefield
Marcia	Novak	1507	Centre St
Maren	Rossmann	2	Nonantum St
Margaret	Crook	398	Wolcott St
Margaret	Howard	24	Madison Av

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Margaret	Zaleski	11	Marshfield Rd
Margaret M	Gullette	68	Pembroke St
Margaret R.	Cabot	85	Prince St.
Margaret R.	Clermont	18	Burnside Rd
Margery	Wieder	31	Judkins St
Maria	Leo	294	Adams St
Maria	Rhomberg	11	Newbury Ter
Marianne	Talis	72	Lincoln St.
Marilyn	Becker	67	Great Meadow Rd
Marina	Kovarsky	20	Shawmut Pk
Marjorie	Boone	287	Waltham St.
Marjorie	Tolede	280	Boylston St., #801
Mark	Alpert	27	Victoria Cir
Mark	Feldhusen	144	Cherry St
Mark	Golden	671	Grove St
Mark	Goodstein	20	Winston Rd
Mark	Hooker	73	Erie Av
Mark	Jrolf	10	The Ledges Rd
Mark	Levanthal	21	Bonnybrook Rd
Mark	Lewis	15	Normandy St
Mark	O'Hearne	30	Woodhaven Rd
Mark	Olchanyi	25	Glen Ave
Marshalll	Isman	11	Valley Spring Rd
Martha	Connors	26	Aberdeen St
Martina	Jackson	115	Lowell Av
Mary	Gorny	27	Clarendon St.
Maryann A	White	59	Greenwood Av
Maryna	Shevchenko	54	Winston Rd
Matilda	Bruckner	516	Ward St.
Matthew	Lee	76	Littlefield Rd
Maureen	Kelley	105	Hancock St
Maureen	Sweeney	32	Madison St.
Max	Segal	75	Littlefield Rd
Maxine H.	Alchek, Ph.D	875	Massachusetts Av
Megan	Meirav	19	Ridge Rd
Meghan	Hennelly	249	California St
Meika	Hayles	89	California St

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Melanie	Conroy	1082	Centre St
Melanie	Renaud	116	Algonquin Rd
Melinda	Conroy	306	Langley Rd
Melissa	Chaikof	165	Bigelow Rd
Melissa	LeBlanc	82	Concord st
Melissa	Sommer	440	Wolcott St
Meredith	Ryan	84	Bourne St
Meryl	Price	72	Summit St.
Michael	DeGeorge	25	Haynes Rd
Michael	Feldstein	21	Clark St
Michael	Malec	53	Margaret Rd
Michael	Shade	114	Temple St.
Michael H	Riley	83	Grove Hill Av
Michael S.	Kreppein	206B	Wiswall Rd
Michele	Baxter	59	Claremont St
Michele	Loftus	121	Tempe St
Michelle	Ciurea	515	Crafts St
Michelle	Lane	934	Beacon St.
Micky	Rosenberg	27	Burdean Rd
Mila	Katsnelson	154	Mill St
Mim P	Masterman	21	Hale St
Mimie	Muellner	998	Beacon St.
Mitchell	Lee	76	Littlefield Rd
Mohammed	Asmal	69	Fair Oaks Av
Monique	Bamel	28	Winston Rd
Murali	Ramadurai	83	Littlefield Rd
Myra L	Hugg	59	Stony Brae Rd.
Nadia	Bednarczuk	148	Highland Av
Nancy	Bowler	139	Hancock St
Nancy	Dreyer	328	Country Club Rd
Nancy	Finn	56	Colgate Rd
Nancy	Mazzapica	46	Harding St
Nancy	Morrison	126	Prince St.
Nancy	Poole	66	Prospect St
Nancy	Schon	291	Otis St.
Nancy	Snidman	176	Cherry St
Nancy	Vela	156	Park St

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Nancy K	Bertsch		Newton
Naomi	Myrvagnes	59	Morseland Av
Naomi	Tuchmann	33	Prince St.
Nathaniel	Klien	15	Newell Rd
Nhu	Vu	93	West St
Nicloe	Casey	67	Grove Hill Av
Nora	Simon	435	Highland St.
Norman	Fast	62	Chester St.
Pamela	Coravos	22	Erie Av
Pat	Irwin	115	West St
Patricia	Bresky	52	Berkshire Rd
Patricia	Haran	867	Dedham St
Patricia	Jessico	85	Westminster Rd
Patricia	Paumis	28	Austin St
Patricia	Riggin	16	Floral Pl
Patricia J	Papa	154	Auburndale Av
Paul	Ash	48	Greenwood St
Paul	Creedon	174	Adams St #1
Paul	Levy	59	Oxford Rd
Paul	Melman	111	Brandeis Rd
Paul	Rishell	50	Court St.
Paula	Chesbrough	11	Regina Rd
Paula	Cottone	176	Woodcliff Rd
Peggy	Bian		Newton
Peter	Bruce	11	Clafin Pl
Peter	Erickson	33	Philbrick Rd
Peter	Kalil	62	Pine Ridge Rd
Peter	Lee	1863	Commonwealth Av
Peter	Terris	269	Franklin St
Peter T	Robertson	210	Melrose St
Phil	Wax	24	McCarthy Rd
Phyllis	Vineyard	39	Kingsbury Rd
Quinn	Butlerian	1530	Beacon St.
Rachal	Aronson	33	Beecher Pl
Rachanee	Nelson	133	Park St
Rachel	Mele	21	James St
Raj	Goyal	40	Nouvelle Way, Natick

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Randy	Block	45	Lafayette Rd
Ranjit	Ramachandran	90	Hull St
Ray	Atkins	61	Winston Rd
Raymond	Ball	119	Oakdale Rd
Raymond	Boyce	31	Rockland Pl
Rebecca	White	29	Walter St
Regina	Sullivan	44	Hartford St
Revahty	Mahendra-Rajah	121	Bellevue St
Reza	Khorshidi	131	Brandeis Rd
Richard	Dinjian	22	Byrd Av
Richard	Levey	30	Jacobs Ter
Richard	Williams	249	California St
Rick	Levin	48	Littlefield Rd
Robert	Carter	126	East Side Pky
Robert	Fizek	47	Forest St
Robert	Insoft	56	Littlefield Rd
Robert	Lee	76	Littlefield Rd
Robert	Mashal	95	Prince Street
Robert	Tuchmann	33	Prince St.
Roberta	Paul	449	Lowell Av
Roger	LeBlanc	82	Concord st
Roger	Small	53	Paul St
Ron	Sheklin	48	Palmer Rd
Rona S	Hamada	58	Andrew St
Rose	Day	21	Fern St
Roslie	Slavin	64	Collins Rd
Royston	Delaney	21	Shaw St
Russ	Grossen	1151	Commonwealth Av.
Russell	Pergament	37	Holly Rd
Ruth	Greene	131	Harvard St
Ruth	Lederman	390	Winchester St.
Ruth	Rosenberg	27	Burdean Rd
Sachiko	Isihara	15	Davis St.
Sallee H.	Lipshutz	24	Radcliff Rd
Sally	Hoffman	91	Littlefield Rd
Sally	Pomeroy	28	Claremont St
Sandra	Kelley	21	Magnolia Av

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Sandra S	Corsetti	61	Halcyon Rd
Sara	Rucinski	40	Clearwater Rd
Sarah	Burgess-Gregorian	228	Highland Av
Sarah	Grant	77	Waban Hill Rd
Sarah	Harrington	169	Linwood Av
Sarah	Mausner	49	Central St.
Sarah W.	Wilcox	30	Winston Rd
Schuyler	Larrabee	184	Allerton Rd
Scott	Groper	49	Newbrook Cir
Sean	Cao	56	Cynthia Rd
Sean	Nelson	133	Park St
Sergio	Finkelstein	24	Littlefield Rd
Seung-Joo	Lee	38	Duxbury Rd.
Shalini	Tendulkar	137	Annawan Rd
Sharon	Gorberg	26	Walnut Hill Rd
Sharon	Jacobs	23	Otis Pl
Sharon	Leventhal	3	Newbury Ter
Sharon	Treacy	25	Whitlowe Rd
Sharona N.	Halpern	29	Pearl St.
Sharone	Ben-Levi	195	Varick Rd
Shaunna	Lai	64	Parker St
Shawn	Doung	58	Selwyn Rd
Shawna	Giggey	95	Prince Street
Shawna	Slack	25	Beechcroft Rd.
Sheldon	Buckler	200	Dudley Rd
Shelly	Abrahams	54	Judith Rd
Shengfang	Jin	32	Littlefield Rd
Sherri	Goodstein	20	Winston Rd
Shirisha	Emani	38	Winston Rd
Silvana	Sawaya	1839	Washington St
Simon	Wieczner	70	Ridge Av
Sitaram	Emani	38	Winston Rd
Solomon	Gabbay	11	Doris Circle
Srdjan S.	Nedeljkovic	5	Bellingham St.
Stanley	Becker	67	Great Meadow Rd
Stella	Chin	1254	Beacon St.
Stephanie	Karger	38	Wauwinet Rd

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Stephanie	Weitzman	4	Ridgeway Ter
Stephen C.	Farrell	30	Winston Rd
Stephen P	Hamilton	155	Sumner St
Steve	Gunzburger	29	Frederick St
Steve	Pinto	26	Saxon Rd
Steve	Rideout	43	Lyme Rd
Steven	Cantor	76	Brandeis Rd
Steven	Cornelius	3	Newbury Ter
Steven	Hoffman	91	Littlefield Rd
Sue	Dickenson	93	Waban Pk
Sue D	Membrino	25	Princess Rd
Sue D	Ramin	80	Pine Ridge Rd
Sujatha	Ramadurai	83	Littlefield Rd
Sumukh	Tendulkar	137	Annawan Rd
Sundra	Swanson	6	Johnson Pl
Susan	Allen	100	Littlefield Rd
Susan	Coffill	260	Langley Rd
Susan	Haule	48	Chestnut Ter
Susan	Legere, Ph.D.	30	Fuller Ter
Susan	Nason	28	Roosevelt Rd
Susan	Shepherd	280	Islington Rd
Susan	Snyder	81	Woodland Rd
Susan	Tornheim	120	Hyde St
Susan D	Nichols	10	Forest Grove Rd
Susan P	Fendrick	530	Commonwealth Av
Susannah	Heschel	739	Commonwealth Av
Suy Sinh	Law	220	Nevada St.
Suzanne	Cuccurullo	120	Otis St
Suzanne	Kalil	62	Pine Ridge Rd
Suzanne	Nelson	28	Columbia Av
Talya	Salant	110	Parker Av
Tamar	Frankel	61	Winston Rd
Taryn	Norviel	242	Winchester St.
Teresa	Myers	10	The Ledges Rd
Teresa	Sienkiewicz	1155	Boylston St.
Terri	Cohen	250	Hammond Pnd Pky #1511
Terri	Kasper	15	Cottage St

**Newton Abutters and Residents Requesting
The Newton Historical Commission
To Deny the Owner of 29 Greenwood Street
Any Application, Without Exception,
For Approval To Continue Construction
Following His Destruction of Said Property**

Theodore	Orenstein	29	Ricker Rd.
Timothy	Moore	55	Aspen Av
Timothy	Rutherford	50	Crosby Rd #1
Tom	Fuchs	42	Parons St.
Tom	Loftus	121	Tempe St
Tom	McBride	41	Albert Rd
Tom	White	59	Greenwood Av
Tomas	Lozano-Perez	359	Otis St
Tori	Zissman	8	Swallow Dr
Tracey	Leger-Hornby	123	Walnut Rd
Tracy	Fischer	120	Cynthia Rd
Tracy	Matthews	15	Gralynn Rd.
Troy	Tompkins	20	Brooks Av
Vicki	Jacobs	76	Brandeis Rd
Viktoria	Shevchenko	54	Winston Rd
Viktoria	Shad	173	Brookline St.
Vincent	Montavon	1891	Beacon St.
Vincent	Pina	42	Grove St
Wei-Kung	Wang	84	Littlefield Rd
Wendy	Haskell	45A	Charlesbank Rd
Wendy	Vaulton	177	Wiswall Rd
Will	Gordon	46	Winston Rd
William	Landay	300	Lake Av
William	Sage	59	Littlefield
William	Wang	84	Littlefield Rd
William E	Roesner	1058	Walnut St
William P	Aldrich	1733	Commonwealth Av
Yaniv	Gershon	20	Parsons St
Yiu-Tzu	Tai	22	Olde Field Rd