

November 18, 2020

NOTICE OF DENIAL

Delia Wells
2071 Longfellow
Detroit, MI 48206

RE: Application Number 20-6931; 2071 Longfellow; Boston Edison Historic District

Dear Ms. Wells:

At the regular meeting that was held on November 12, 2020, the Detroit Historic District (“Commission”) reviewed the above-referenced application for building permit. Pursuant to Section 21-2-80 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, the Commission hereby issues a **Notice of Denial for the below outlined items** which is effective as of November 18, 2020. Specifically, the Commission reviewed the permit for **the below-described work**, and determined that it *does not* qualify for a Certificate of Appropriateness because it does not meet the Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation, Standards #2) *The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided,* #5) *Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property shall be preserved,* and #9) *New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment:*

- Painting masonry
- Painting with colors gumball red and white

Please note that the above-described work associated with application #20-6931 represents a violation of Detroit City Code. If you have not corrected the violation in a matter that meets the Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation on or before October 31, 2021, the Detroit Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department (BSEED) will resume enforcement action on the denied work items.

Please be advised that a permit applicant that is aggrieved by a decision of the Detroit Historic District Commission concerning a permit application may file an appeal with the Michigan Department of Attorney General. Within sixty (60) days of your receipt of this notice, an appeal may be filed with:

Jon Stuckey
Michigan Department of Attorney General
2nd Floor G. Mennen Williams Building
525 West Ottawa Street
P.O. Box 30754
Lansing, MI 48909
P: 517-335-0665
F: 517-335-3088
Email: stuckeyj@michigan.gov

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please contact Taylor Leonard, Counsel for the Commission at (313) 237-3006.

For the Commission:



Daniel Rieden
Staff
Detroit Historic District Commission

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CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

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Dear Ms. Wells:

At the regular scheduled meeting that was held on November 12, 2020, the Detroit Historic District Commission (“Commission”) reviewed the above-referenced application for building permit. Pursuant to Section 5(10) of the Michigan Local Historic District Act, as amended, being MCL 399.205, MSA 5-3407(5)(10) and Section 21-2-73 of the 2019 Detroit City Code; the Commission has reviewed the above-referenced application for building permit and hereby issues a Certificate of Appropriateness, which is effective as November 18, 2020.

The Commission issued a Certificate of Appropriateness for the following work items because they meet the Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation.

Exterior Work

- Replacement of front porch light fixture
- Application of black paint at the porch ceiling/cornice, window trim, rear door trim, garage doors/trim/entablature/soffit

The Certificate of Appropriateness is issued with the following conditions:

- The cleaning/removal of paint from any painted masonry surface: Cleaning of the painted masonry shall be done using the gentlest means possible. In areas where repointing is necessary, mortar should match existing historic mortar in color, texture, strength, and joint tooling as proposed. If replacement of masonry is necessary due to severe deterioration, the replacement masonry shall match the existing in material, size, color, and texture.
- The applicant shall provide HDC with the final paint specifications/proposal for the areas to be painted, cleaned of paint, replaced due to deterioration, or repointing as approved by the Commission via the issuance of this COA. Staff shall be afforded the opportunity to review and approve this submission prior to the issuance of the permit.

Please retain this COA for your files. You should now proceed to obtain a building permit from the City of Detroit Buildings, Safety, Engineering and Environmental Department. It is important to note that approval by the Detroit Historic District Commission does not waive the applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable ordinances or statutes.

For the Commission:



Daniel Rieden
Staff
Detroit Historic District Commission