

# DHDC 23-8285

## APPROVAL DOCUMENT – POSTATWORK LOCATION



CITY OF DETROIT  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

2 WOODWARD, SUITE 808  
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

April 18, 2023

### CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Michael Shelp  
1444 Edison  
Detroit MI 48202

**RE: Application Number 23-8285; 1444 Edison; Boston Edison Historic District  
Project Scope: Installation of glass block, rear entry doors and storm doors, garage overhead and pedestrian doors, bricking-in of one basement window opening and vent installation, masonry repair**

Dear Applicant,

At the Regular Meeting that was held on April 12, 2023, the Detroit Historic District Commission (“DHDC”) reviewed the above-referenced application. Pursuant to Section 5(1) of the Michigan Local Historic District Act, as amended, being MCL 399.205 (1) and Sections 21-2-73/21-2-78 of the 2019 Detroit City Code; the DHDC hereby issues a Certificate of Appropriateness (“COA”) for the following work, effective on April 18, 2023, as it meets the Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and the district’s Elements of Design:

*Install glass block at basement windows, bricking-in of one basement window and installation of vents, rear entry and storm doors, install replacement windows at rear elevation at porch, install garage overhead and pedestrian doors (work completed), masonry repair, painting of porch ceilings, and painting of previously painted stone/concrete elements at front elevation, per the submitted documents and photographs.*

***With the conditions that:***

- *An east elevation basement window will be selected for the HVAC vent installation. The brick and vents will be recessed one inch from the exterior house wall. Dimensions of the existing and new brick will be submitted to staff, along with a photo of the selected brick sitting next to the wall of the house for confirmation of color match.*
- *A bulleted scope of work for the masonry repair will be submitted for staff review and will list the defined boundary for the work and mortar specifications (matching the strength, composition, color and profile of the historic mortar). Should it be determined that some replacement brick is needed, new brick samples will be submitted for staff review to confirm the size, pattern, color, and surface texture will closely match the historic brick.*
- *The paint color(s) selected for the porch ceiling and previously painted stone/concrete details will be submitted for review/approval by staff.*

Please retain this COA for your files and post it at the subject property until work is complete. It is important to note that approval by the DHDC does not waive the applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable ordinances or statutes. If you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please contact staff at 313-224-1762 or [hdc@detroitmi.gov](mailto:hdc@detroitmi.gov).

For the Commission:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Audra Dye", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Audra Dye  
Detroit Historic District Commission