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BEACON HILL ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION

Charles and Karin Dumbaugh
5 Acorn Street
Boston, MA 02108

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

NOTICE OF DECISION
Application #: 17.759 BH
Property: 5 Acorn Street

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Dumbaugh:

At the February 16, 2017 public hearing, the Beacon Hill Architectural Commission (BHAC) reviewed your application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to perform exterior work at 5 Acorn Street, a Federal style row house designed by Cornelius Coolidge and built in 1828. The proposed scope of work included replacing the roof deck featuring a 42-inch tall wrought iron railing with a black painted finish around the perimeter in-kind, as described and shown in the presentation existing condition photographs, sightline study photographs, and drawings labeled A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, and A-5, dated issued January 2, 2017, prepared by Julia E. Smith, R.A.; and drawing labeled S-1, dated issued November 4, 2016, prepared by Daniel Platcow, P.E.

The Commission voted to approve your application as submitted, citing that the removal of the existing roof deck will not result in the loss of any significant architectural features of the building; and that the new roof deck featuring a simple wrought iron railing around the perimeter will be visible at a distance and will be seen in context of other similar rooftop accretions.

This determination is based on documentation presented at the hearing. Statutory reviews by other agencies in conflict with this decision may affect the status of this certificate, which is valid for two (2) years from its date of issue. The applicant is required to inform the BHAC of any project changes, and failure to do so may affect the status of this certificate. Please bring a copy of this certificate with you when filing for permits from the Inspectional Services Department (1010 Massachusetts Avenue). Photographs of the completed project should be submitted in hard copy format to confirm compliance with the terms of this certificate.

Sincerely,

Lissa Schwab
Preservation Planner
Beacon Hill Architectural Commission

cc: Robert E. Stafford

RECORD OF VOTE ON APPLICATION 17.759 BH

MOTION by: Rosales; SECOND by: Donnelly

AFFIRMATIVE: Donnelly, Rosales, Taylor

NEGATIVE: (None)