



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. _____

RESOLUTION

R161 - 2023

Introduced by the Administration on September 20, 2023

Denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness – 327 N. Nagle Street

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS a Certificate of Appropriateness is required under the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania No.167, June 13, 1961 (P.L.282) known as the Pennsylvania Historic District Act; and City of Allentown has adopted a Historic District Ordinance, Article 1391, under the provisions allowed in the Pennsylvania Historic District Act; and

WHEREAS the owner, Paresh Patel, applied to the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) for a Certificate of Appropriateness to legalize the reconstruction of the rear addition, as described in the attached final report; and

WHEREAS the HARB held a meeting on said matter on September 5, 2023, where a representative for the applicant was not in attendance; and

WHEREAS based on the statements and evidence presented, the HARB made the following findings of fact, as detailed in the attached case report:

1. The applicant participated in the July 10, 2023 HARB meeting, but did not provide sufficient information for the HARB to act on the application; both parties agreed to table the application to allow the applicant to provide additional information.
2. The applicant reconstructed a rear addition without building permits or a Certificate of Appropriateness and is seeking to legalize the work that has been completed.
3. The application lacks basic information, including elevation drawings stamped by an engineer.
4. The HARB was unable to table the application on September 5, 2023, since the applicant or a representative was not present to request additional time for the review.

WHEREAS, based on the above findings of fact, the HARB agreed on the motion not to legalize the reconstruction of the rear addition as proposed, and recommended to City Council denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the reconstruction of the rear addition as detailed in the attached case report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Allentown that a Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby denied for the above referenced exterior alteration.