

**CITY OF ALLENTOWN  
HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD  
FINAL REVIEW SHEET  
August 6, 2018**

**Case #HDC-2018-00028**– Proposal to replace deteriorated slate roofing with asphalt shingles and flat roofing with rubber roofing.

**Property located at:** 229 N 11<sup>th</sup> St.

**Agenda # 3**

**Historic District:** Old Allentown

**Case #** HDC-2018-00026

**Meeting date:** August 6, 2018

**Property Owner:** S.A. Clifton

**Owners Address:** 233 N. 11<sup>th</sup> St.

**Applicant:** Same

**Applicant's Address:** Same

**Building description, period, style, defining features:** This structure is a 2 1/2 story, 2 bay, brick dwelling with a gable roof, wide roof dormer with paired double hung windows, 1 over 1 double hung windows with segmental arches on the first and second floors, brickote over the historic brick, and aluminum capping of some or all of the historic trim. The house dates from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and is Queen Anne in style.



**Proposed alterations:** It is proposed to replace deteriorated slate roofing with asphalt shingles and flat roofing with rubber roofing.

**Staff Approvals:** n/a

**Background:** n/a

**Violations:** n/a

**Guideline Citation: SIS 9.** New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment. **Allentown Guidelines for Historic Districts: 5.** Guidelines for Existing Buildings and Structures, 1. Repairs, Replacement and Alternate Materials: 3. Roofing

**Evaluation, effect on historic district, recommendations:** The photographs of the existing slate roofing indicate a high level of deterioration. Replacement with GAF Slateline fiberglass shingles in the Antique Slate color would be historically appropriate. The valleys must remain open to match the historic roof. The flashing should be aluminum in red (to match existing Tinner's Red) or charcoal gray to blend with the roofing color or, if budget permits, copper. The drip edges should match the trim in color. The flat roof is not highly visible and replacing with EPDM type rubber roofing is historically appropriate.

**Discussion:** There was a brief discussion of the proposed roof replacement. The condition of the roof was not questioned based on the photographs submitted. The applicant asked if he could use copper flashing and drip edges. The Historic Consultant cautioned the applicant about galvanic action if copper and aluminum were in contact with each other. The applicant

said he was familiar with galvanic action and would avoid having the two materials touch each other.

**Motion:** The HARB upon motion by Mr. Brobst and seconded by Mr. Fillman adopted the proposal that City Council issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposed work described herein:

1. The proposal to replace deteriorated slate roofing with asphalt shingles and flat roofing with rubber roofing at 229 N 11<sup>th</sup> Street was presented by Stacey and Willie Clifton.
2. The slate roof will be replaced with GAF Slateline shingles in Antique Slate color.
3. The rear flat roof will be replaced with new rubber roofing.
4. Copper flashing and drip edges will be used on the pitched roof areas.

The proposal to recommend a COA was unanimously approved. (5-0; motion carried; Brobst, Fillman, Huber, Olson, Roberts)