

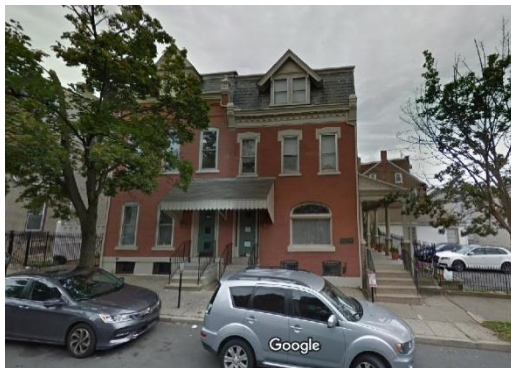
**HISTORIC ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD  
CITY OF ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA  
June 3, 2020**

**FINAL REVIEW**

**Case # HDC-2020-00005** - Proposal to install a stained glass window

<b>Property Location:</b>	731 W Turner Street	<b>Property Owner:</b>	E. Keller & Marguerite Kline
<b>Historic District:</b>	Old Allentown	<b>Owner Address:</b>	731 W Turner St, Allentown, PA 18102
<b>Case #</b>	HDC-2020-00005	<b>Applicant:</b>	(Same as Owner)
<b>HARB Meeting date:</b>	May 4, 2020 (Agenda Item #3)	<b>Applicant's Address:</b>	(Same as Owner)

**Building description, period, style defining features:** This structure is a 3 story semi-detached, brick residential building converted to office use with a Mansard roof, front gable roofed dormer with paired double hung windows, ornate East Lake window heads, elliptical arched first floor window formerly with a stained glass transoms, and side porch with classical columns. The building dates from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and is East Lake Queen Anne style.



**Proposed alterations:** It is proposed to install a stained glass window. It is to replace a previously existing stained glass window of the same size that was destroyed by a car bomb in 2018.

**Staff Approvals:** N/A

**Violations:** N/A

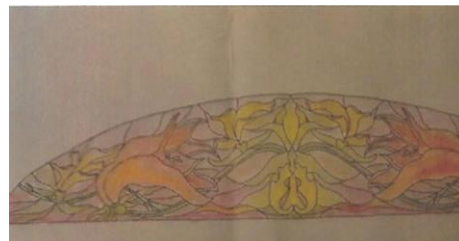
**Background:**

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 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
- **Allentown Guidelines for Historic Districts:** 5. Guidelines for Existing Buildings and Structures, 1. Repairs, Replacement and Alternative Materials, 5. Windows.

Evaluation, effect on historic district, recommendations: The effort to recreate the stained glass window lost in a car bomb explosion in 2018 is to be praised. The proposed new window is historically appropriate and similar to, but differentiated from, the design and appearance of the original. The stained glass should be installed in a wood sash as seen in the Google Street view photo.

**HARB Discussion:** The HARB was happy to see a new stained glass transom sash being installed. The applicant explained that the sash was lost in the bomb explosion last year. The HARB had little discussion, but Ms. Jackson asked if the design was appropriate since it did not match the historic stained glass design. The applicant said it was no longer possible to get some of the stain glass colors anymore, he thought an interpretation of the design would be OK. The Historic Consultant said it was historically appropriate to differentiate the new window from the old as defined in the Secretary of the Interior Standards. It was clarified that the new stained glass panel would be installed in a wood sash.



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

1. The proposal to install a stained glass window at 731 W Turner Street was represented by Keller Kline.
2. The stained glass window presented at the meeting will be installed in a wood sash matching the arched shape of the historic opening.

**The proposal to issue a COA was unanimously approved. (5-0; motion carried; Brobst, Fillman, Jackson, Roberts, Sell). Mr. Huber abstained due to a conflict of interest.**