

Date: 7/19/2016 LPC Docket #: 17-8333

LPC Action: Approved with modifications

Action required by other agencies: DOB

Permit Type: CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Address: 30 Grove Street
Borough: Manhattan
Block: 588 Lot: 1

Historic District: Greenwich Village Historic District

**Description:** A vernacular Greek Revival style townhouse with early Italianate style and transitional features built in 1851-

52, Application is to replace entry stairs and areaway fence, and to alter the areaway.

## **COMMISSION FINDINGS**

The Commission NOTED that the building's style, scale, materials and details contribute to the architectural and historic character of the Greenwich Village Historic District. The Commission also NOTED that the original stoop and areaway ironwork was removed at the time of designation.

Pursuant to Section 25-307 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Commission APPROVED WITH MODIFICATIONS, finding:

- -that the existing metal stair and areaway fence are badly deteriorated and are not original to the building, and therefore their removal will not result in the loss of any significant historic fabric;
- -that the building is one of a row of six Greek Revival style rowhouses, three of which currently feature their historic ironwork, and therefore the installation of new replicated historic ironwork with a black finish along the areaway will restore a missing historic feature and help to unify the row and streetscape;
- -that installation of new iron railings with a black finish at the entry stairs replicating the historic ironwork at the areaway will create a harmonious composition at the façade, and will unify all the ironwork at the building in terms of design and finish;
- -that rebuilding the entry stairs to feature a modified curve will remain in keeping with the existing metal stairs and other metal stairs found at buildings within the district;
- -and that the proposed large mailbox will be discreetly located beneath the entry stairs, adjacent to the basement entrance door and recessed areaway stairs, and therefore will not calling undue attention to itself.

However, in voting to grant this approval, the Commission required:

-that the bluestone steps be eliminated and replaced with metal treads.

## VOTE:

Present: Meenakshi Srinivasan, Adi Shamir-Baron, Frederick Bland, Diana Chapin, Wellington Chen, Michael Devonshire, Michael Goldblum, John Gustafsson, Jeanne Lutfy

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In Favor = M.Srinivasan, A.Shamir-Baron, F.Bland, D.Chapin, W.Chen, M.Devonshire, M.Goldblum, J.Gustafsson, J.Lutfy

Oppose =

Abstain =

Recuse =

Please note that these "Commission Findings" are a summary of the findings related to the application. This is NOT a permit or approval to commence any work. No work may occur until the Commission has issued a Certificate of Appropriateness, which requires review and approval of Department of Buildings filing drawings and/or other construction drawings related to the approved work. In addition, no work may occur until the work has been reviewed and approved by other City agencies, such as the Department of Buildings, as required by law