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540 Coles Mill Road

Haddonfield NJ 08033

Haddonfield Historic District

Borough of Haddonfield

RE: 540 Coles Mill Road Shed Placement

Application for Certificate of Appropriateness

Dear Historic Association,

This letter is in accordance with the Haddonfield Preservation Commision Certificate of Appropriateness.

This letter is a description of a structure referred to as an “accessory building”, briefly described as a shed and styled after a Carriage House for the aforementioned property.

The above-named homeowner, respectfully request your review of the information herein. Also, please find enclosed stock photographs of A frame Sheds, weathervanes (pictured in brass), cupulas, and photos of this Carriage house in black and white with appropriate styled doors, shingles, windows, shutters, and roof. In addition, find the builder’s design invoice/plans.

Please note that Article VI [§ 135-51](https://ecode360.com/print/HA2005?guid=10201578%2310201578) was carefully considered when planning the design siting, compatibility of size, location and above all historical style distinction of this accessory building.

Despite the utility purpose of this building we hope you discover our diligence for preserving the historical fabric of our home. This choice of a Carriage House design for an accessory building along with the quality craftsmanship and attention to the styling details should reflect our dedication to our restoration process.

Of further note, it is an unattached structure, and proposed to be located in the rear of the house.

Firstly, the homeowner chose this style to compliment the historic charm and fabric of the house. Nonetheless, the materials chosen are delightfully in character with the both the historical and architectural features of the home.

This home was built in the 1830’s and was previously a Farmstead. Thus a Carriage House Style accessory building was befitting. Without a doubt, this building resembles a style of a proper accessory building that would have adorned this property at one time.

Understandably, the color chosen repeats the white painted clapboard and black painted trim of the house, with one striking difference a fresh coat of paint. All of the color choices are suitable and subtle.

Likewise, the roof color repeats particular style of the house with black Asphalt shingles. In the following manner, an ornamental cupola and weathervane are part of the design to illustrate the Farmstead history of this home.

Accordingly, the owner feel that this “carriage house” building is “compatible with the historic character of the setting in terms of size, scale, design, material, roof color, and texture for the above named reasons.”

To add to that, the details of the size, scale, design, materials, roof color, and texture are as follows:

Unattached Structure

Located at the Rear of the House

12X18 Frame Shed

Carriage House in Clapboard painted White

Roof Sheeting Black Asphalt Arch

Roof Pitch 7/12

Windows: 1 wood window with black wooden shutters

Door: 1 Arched Carriage House Door with 6” wood round carriage windows

Colors/Clapboard: White Trim: Black

Shutters: Wooden Black

24’ Cupula louvered with Black Roof

Black Aluminum Weathervane Horse and Buggy on Top of Weathervane

Flooring: Cement Pad to prevent weathering from the ground dampness, water, and the elements.

This frame shed’s proposed placement shall be within five feet from the property parameters/line. A land survey was performed for property parameters. Upon approval, this accessory building shall be placed in accordance with the property parameters. Again, at the rear of the building.

Above all, the aesthetics of this building not only adds charm but is desperately needed for storage. Be advised, that there is a pre-existing structure/accessory building. It is not original to the home. Upon transfer of ownership this building was found in a state of neglect, disrepair, dilapidation, structurally unsound, and hazardous.

The pre-existing building is deteriorated with holes in the foundation. There are breaks in the roof with loose and rotting materials. It is not weatherproof or watertight; therefore, not protected from the elements.

Along with weathering, dangerous mold accumulation has formed from years of dampness. The mold is on the interior and exterior clapboard. The mold overgrowth is visible throughout the structure. This mold infestation has prevented habitability and shelter of any kind. This mold isn’t just dangerous to the structure, it can endanger the health of our family.

Further, this building makes us fearful that this can cause harm to life, limb, or property. This structure is an immediate health environmental, and safety concern. For those reasons, the urgency for a new shed was warranted by the homeowner.

For the above mentioned reasons we hope you agree that we are in accordance with Article VI [§ 135-51](https://ecode360.com/print/HA2005?guid=10201578%2310201578). Above all, we thank you for your time and attention to this matter. We trust that the quality craftsmanship should speak as a testament to our efforts for the historic preservation of this grand old house.

Moving forward, for any such inspection or visit to the property please contact me at 856-229-5442. We can discuss a date and time that is mutually convenient for you to visit the property. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Kind Regards,

Yvonne Godin