

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-

RE: CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF THE ACT OF PENNSYLVANIA
LEGISLATURE 1961, JUNE 13, P. L. 282 (53 SECTION 8004)
AND BETHLEHEM ORDINANCE NO. 3952 AS AMENDED.

The applicant/owner of the property located at 36 East Wall Street proposes to remove a wood fence and wood arbor, construct a 6'-0" high brick wall along the rear and side lot lines, and install a 6'-0" high wrought iron gate that will be painted black.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that a Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby granted for the proposal.

Sponsored by: /s/ _____

/s/ _____

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

/s/ _____
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
City Clerk

HISTORICAL & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

APPLICATION #1: The applicant/owner of the property located at 36 East Wall Street proposes to remove a wood fence and wood arbor, construct a 6'-0" high brick wall along the rear and side lot lines, and install a 6'-0" high wrought iron gate that will be painted black.

OWNER: Dennis & Sheri Murphy
36 East Wall Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018

The Board upon motion by Michael Simonson and seconded by Connie Postupack adopted the proposal that City Council issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of the existing wood fence and wood arbor and the installation of a 6'-0" high brick wall along the rear and side lot lines, as well as the installation of a 6'-0" high wrought iron gate that will be painted black.

The vote was unanimous to approve the removal of the existing wood fence and wood arbor and the installation of a 6'-0" high brick wall along the rear and side lot lines, as well as the installation of a 6'-0" high wrought iron gate that will be painted black, as per the motion.

Guideline Citation:

Secretary of Interior Standards No.(s)

#9 New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the historic property and its environment.

#10 New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

Bethlehem Historic District Design Guidelines

Page 13: Site Elements, Walls, and Gates:

Walls: Landscape walls are typically constructed of local stone or brick. The construction of walls that block primary building facades from the public right of way, particularly at historically important buildings, is discouraged. It is recommended that walls in front yards be limited to 36 inches in height.

Gates: When installed with a wall, they are generally flanked by piers or gate posts that can be either wood or metal.

The HARB discourages, Blocking views to principal elevations of historic buildings and settings with tall, solid fences; solid walls; or dense plantings and foliage.

Evaluation, Effect on Historic District, Recommendations: The proposed work conforms with the intent of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and the Bethlehem Historic District Design Guidelines and will have no negative impact to the historic district.

H. Joseph Phillips

Date of Meeting: August 3, 2022

By: **H. Joseph Phillips**
Title: **Historic Officer**