

**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 438 High Street proposes to paint certain trim details on the front porch of the home.

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 #3: The applicant/owner of the property located at 438 High Street proposes to paint certain trim details on the front porch of the home.

OWNER: Patricia & Alan Lowcher  
438 High Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018

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The Board upon motion by Nik Nikolov and seconded by Joe McGavin adopted the proposal that City Council issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the painting of certain trim details on the front porch of the home with the following conditions:

1. The chamfers of the arches and posts will not be painted black.

The vote was unanimous to approve the painting of certain trim details on the front porch of the home, as per the motion.

### **Guideline Citation:**

#### Secretary of Interior Standards No.(s)

#5 Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.

#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 material, 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 8: Exterior Woodwork & Siding: The HARB encourages: Retaining decorative woodwork since it is a character defining element that can be difficult to replace.

Paint: The HARB encourages:

- Hand washing with mild detergent and bristle brush, hand scraping, and hand sanding.
- Paint colors and luster should be appropriate to the building style, highlighting its architectural features, and are subject to HARB review.

The HARB discourages: The use of rotary tools, heat guns and heat plates, chemical paint removers, flame tools/blow torches, sandblasting, and high-pressure water washing. Paint colors and luster should be appropriate to the building style, highlighting its architectural features.

**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.



Date of Meeting: November 2, 2022

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