

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

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 415 Long Street proposes to install a new storm door, two glass panels in an existing wood door, and two wrought iron railings at the front porch. The lighting fixture at the front door is also proposed to be replaced.

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 _____, 2025.

/s/ _____
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
City Clerk

HISTORICAL & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

APPLICATION #2: The applicant/owner of the property located at 415 Long Street proposes to install a new storm door, two glass panels in an existing wood door, and two wrought iron railings at the front porch. The lighting fixture at the front door is also proposed to be replaced.

OWNER: Scott & Lisa Hummel
415 Long Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018

The Board upon motion by Joseph McGavin and seconded by Diana Hodgson adopted the proposal that City Council issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a new storm door, installation of two glass panels in an existing wood door, installation of two wrought iron railings at the front porch, and replacement of the wall mounted lighting fixture to the left of the front door, with the following conditions;

1. The Applicant must submit for and secure a Building Permit from the City of Bethlehem.

The vote was unanimous to approve the installation of a new storm door, installation of two glass panels in an existing wood door, installation of two wrought iron railings at the front porch, and replacement of the wall mounted lighting fixture to the left of the front door, as per the motion.

Guideline Citation:

Secretary of Interior Standards No.(s)

#2 The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.

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

#6 Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.

#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 10: Storm Windows & Doors:

Storm windows and doors should conceal as little of the historic window or door as possible and should be selected to complement each window or door type. Rails of storm windows and doors should coincide with rails, glazing pattern, and overall configuration of the associated window or door.

The HARB encourages,

- Maintaining wood storm windows and doors
- Installing new wood or aluminum exterior storm windows or doors that fit the size and shape of the historic opening and are finished or painted to match associated window sash or door
- Aligning rails of storm windows with window rails
- Interior storm windows on primary elevations
- Large glazed openings at storm doors with wider bottom rails that do not conceal or interrupt glazed openings

The HARB discourages,

- Storm doors with applied detailing such as, gingerbread, and cross buck or jalousie windows

Page 11: Doors & Entrances:

Entrances include not only the door, but also the surrounding elements such as, trim and surrounds, transom windows, sidelights, steps, and handrails. Principal entrance doors vary from a “back door” and a residential door varies from a commercial door.

The HARB encourages,

- Regular historic door and entrance maintenance, repair, and repainting with historically appropriate paint colors
- Installing screen and storm doors, if needed, that are stylistically appropriate for the existing door
- When historic elements are beyond repair, installing replacement doors or entrance components, that match the historic size, shape, operation, glazing, muntins, paneling, profiles, and detailing of the historic door to the greatest extent possible
- Using wood replacement doors for historic wood doors

The HARB discourages,

- Replacing original doors unless seriously deteriorated
- Plain modern flush doors or modern flush doors with historically inappropriate window configurations
- Enclosure or removal of entrance features including transom windows and sidelights

- New entrances at primary elevations
- Altering historic appearance or style of an entrance
- Replacing wood steps with brick, stone, or concrete steps
- Removing or encapsulation historic wood trim

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H. Joseph Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "H" and a distinct "P" at the end.

Date of Meeting: February 5, 2025

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