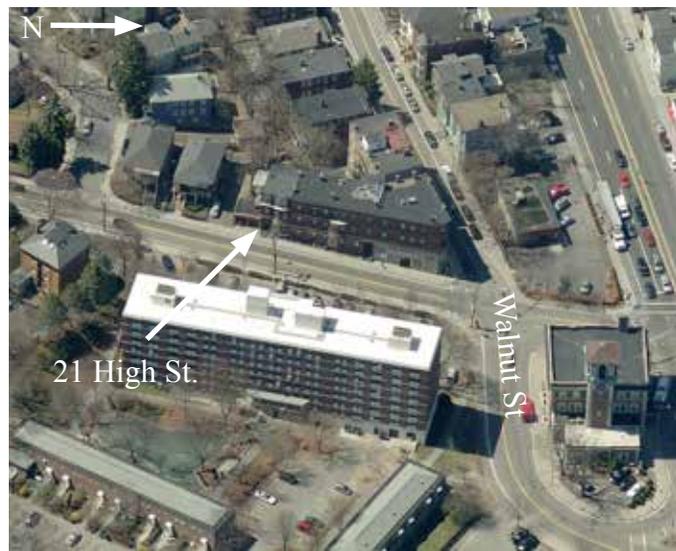


Brookline Preservation Commission Local Historic District Report

Local Historic District: Pill Hill

Applicant: Mark Klein

Address: 21 High Street



Statement of Significance: This house forms a visual book-end to the two apartment blocks constructed at the corner of High and Walnut Streets. Eben Wright constructed all of these buildings and used the same architect, Obed F. Smith, to achieve a unified architectural appearance of modified High Victorian Gothic style. As far as is known, this was used as a rental property for a single family. The plain end wall constructed of common brick suggests that there were plans to construct more row houses at least partially up the hill. Eben Wright lived in Nahant and had inherited the family property in Brookline. The family homestead stood on Walnut Street to the west of these buildings. Smith was a local architect who designed many Queen Anne houses in Brookline (Cypress Street, Corey Hill, Park Street and the Town Almshouse on Newton Street) and Newton .

Proposed Alterations: Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install two arrays of solar panels on roof- one array with 8 panels; the other with four panels.

Applicable Guidelines: The Commission will follow the same design review process for renewable energy systems as it does for other work within the Local Historic Districts. All proposals for the installation of renewable energy systems within Local Historic Districts will be reviewed by the Commission on a case-by-case basis, recognizing that the best options will depend on the characteristics of each property under consideration. The Commission will follow the principles of minimum intervention and reversibility when reviewing any exterior changes to a structure visible from public views.

Historic materials and features such as cladding, trim, windows, doors, ornamental detailing and other elements should not be removed or altered; slate and terra cotta tile and other historic roofing materials should not be removed or altered.

For proposed installations with visibility from a public way, park or body of water, the Commission will consider the historic and architectural significance of the facades which may be affected, including roofs and rooflines, the historic fabric, including materials, which may be affected, and the reversibility of the proposed system.

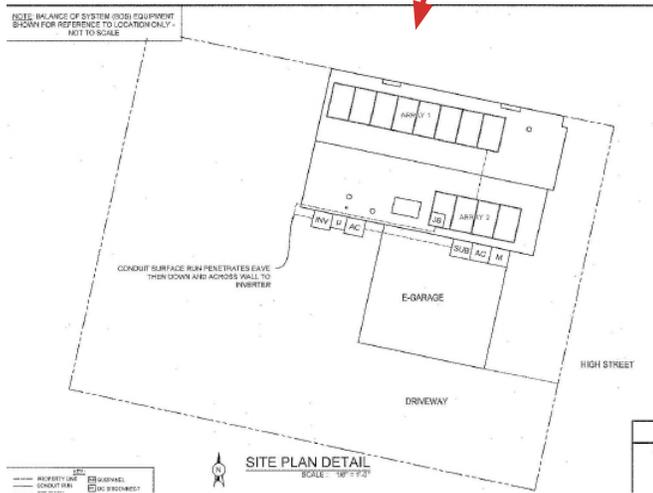
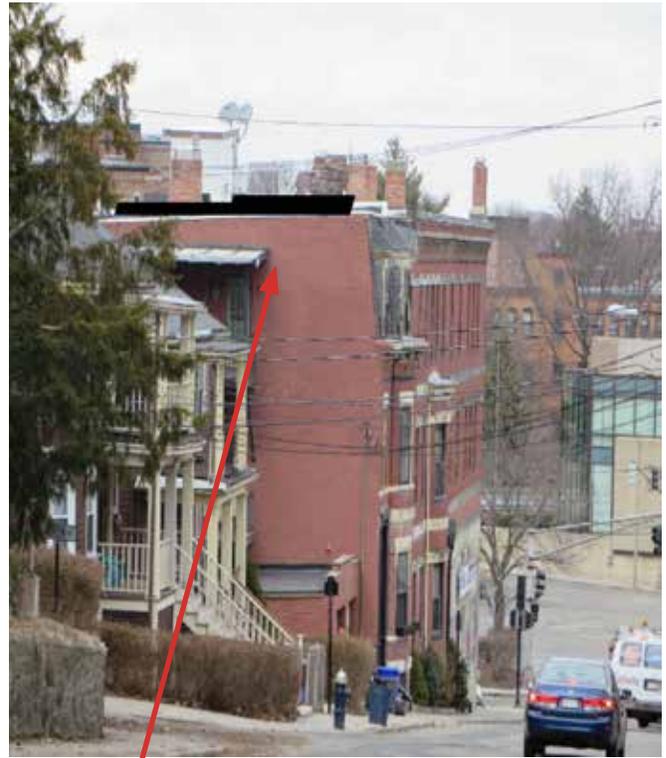
Preliminary Findings: The Commission may wish to request a modification in angle and that the entire installation be black with no frames on individual panels. The panels will be visible as you go down High Street.



Local Historic District Report:



Front and Side Elevation



placement on roof