

# Brookline Preservation Commission

## Local Historic District Report

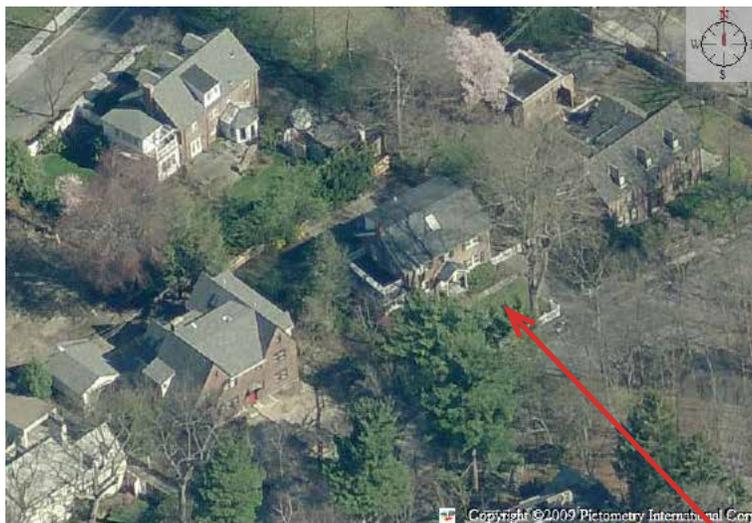
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**Local Historic District:** Chestnut Hill North

**Applicant:** Pascal & Irina Aguirre

**Address:** 98 Spooner Road



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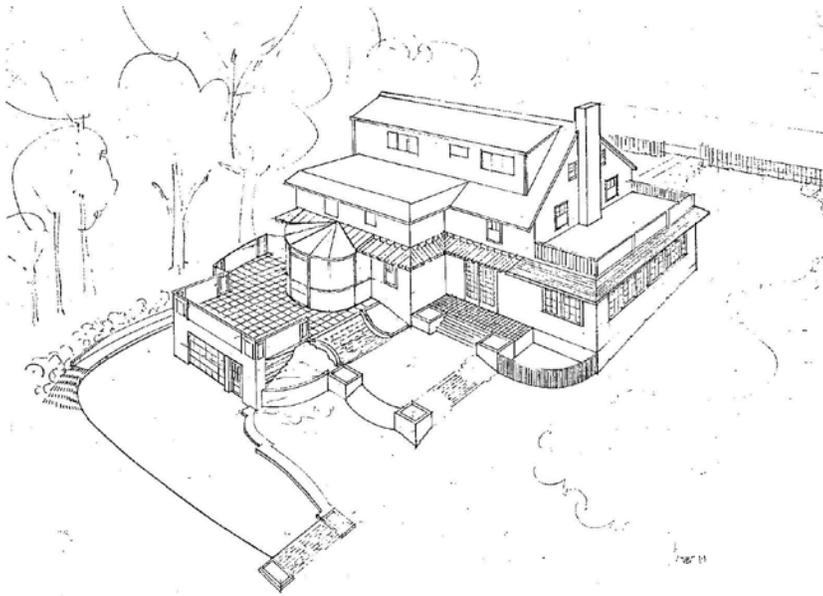
**Statement of Significance:** Built in 1922 for Mr. Paul Frances Ramsey (formerly of 57 Alton Place, Brookline) who was in the button business in Boston. He was also an insurance agent (1924) at 31 Milk St., Boston. The rear deck, solarium and garage were built in 1994, replacing a 1960s modern style deck addition.

**Proposed Alterations:** The applicant appeared before the Commission with a proposal to remove the 1994 solarium, wall, patio and stairs on the rear facade and replace them with an extended deck with wooden steps off the west elevation; to install copper covers on exposed section of existing canopy on first floor; create a new garage or parking space under the new deck adjacent to the existing garage with a retaining wall; to remove clapboard on existing garage and stucco it; to reduce the walkway and stairs along the driveway on the east facade to about one foot and replace with narrower stairs and walk.

**The new proposal** includes removing the walkway, steps, landing and the roof along driveway; remove solarium and 1994 roofing from driveway to back of house; build a new deck with metal and wood railings and steps to the west; remove steps and landing on the driveway and construct a new garage that encompasses retaining wall next to old garage; old garage will be resheathed in stucco and have a new door.

**Applicable Guidelines:** “New additions, exterior alterations or related new construction that destroy historic materials, features and spatial relationships that characterize the property should be avoided.”

**Preliminary Findings:** The applicant is proposing to remove sections of a 1994 addition - the solarium, steps, patio and copper roofing on the rear and the landing, steps, roof hood and door on the side. The additional parking space is under the deck and will be minimally visible from Middlesex and Reservoir Roads.



proposed addition in 1994- solarium ,garage, deck and stairs built. The project as built is not as large as presented here.

remove walkway, steps, landing and hood (part of 1994 addition)



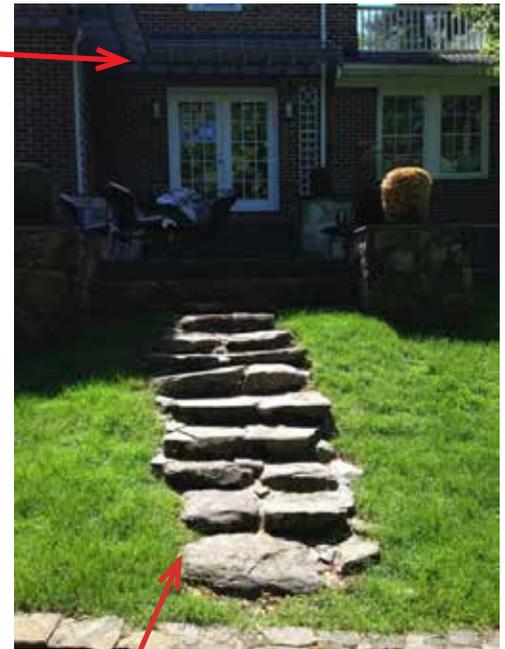


remove walkway, curbing  
landing, stairs & roof

rear of house with solarium, deck and garage

remove solarium and  
roofing and clapboard on  
garage

remove allcopper roof sections  
from rear and side



steps and patio to be  
removed

