

Certificate of Review  
for 407 Fifth Avenue

Application for Building Permit  
HPC2004032401

An application to construct a shed was submitted to the WG Town Office on March 23, 2004 by David Bent and forwarded by the Planning Commission for review by HPC at its April 20, 2004 monthly meeting.

**General Description:** The applicant plans to construct a ten foot by twelve foot shed to be located near the south corner of his property.

**Adequacy of the Documents Submitted:** A permit application, a plat showing the shed's proposed location and a copy of an advertisement showing a picture of the proposed shed were submitted. A site photograph would have aided in the review as would a clearer representation of the shed's proposed location on the plat.

**Visibility from public ways:** The shed will be visible from Sixth Avenue and Fifth Avenue.

**Contributing structure:** This residence is a contributing structure.

**Nearby Contributing Structures:** There are primarily contributing structures in the immediate area.

**Compatibility:** The proposed shed has a gabled roof and double doors. The HPC raised concern that older plantings and flowers were located in the area of the shed and encouraged the applicant to preserve these natural elements and if possible use them to obstruct view of the shed from public walkways.

*Please note that the Historic Preservation Commission acts only in an advisory capacity to both applicants and the Planning Commission. The reviews undertaken are designed to assist homeowners in their projects, to provide input to deliberations of the Planning Commission and, more generally, to contribute to historic preservation in Washington Grove.*

*Further information regarding the scope, powers, duties, and structure of the Historic Preservation Commission may be found in Article XV of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Washington Grove. Section 5 (a) of Article XV describes the powers and duties of the Historic Preservation Commission in the building permit process. This section reads as follows:*

*The Commission shall review all applications for building permits filed with the Town Planning Commission which would involve any change to a structure or site visible from any public way for historical accuracy, integrity, or compatibility with the neighborhood and improvements therein. The Commission may recommend to an applicant alternative historical designs, materials and sources for the same which may be more historically compatible. The Commission shall forward its recommendations regarding the same, if any, in an advisory capacity, to the Planning Commission for consideration by the Planning Commission within thirty (30) days from the Commission's receipt of the application from the Planning Commission.*

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Edward J Mroczka, Member  
Historic Preservation Commission

April 23, 2004  
Date