

Marge Schmuckal - FW: Approved as diminimus Re: Adams School Project Proposed Change at Unit L

From: "Valerie Paquin-Gould" <vpaquingould@greatfallsinc.com>
To: <mes@portlandmaine.gov>
Date: 8/27/2013 11:08 AM
Subject: FW: Approved as diminimus Re: Adams School Project Proposed Change at Unit L

Hello,

Below is the email from Jean regarding permit # 2013-101857.

Valerie

From: Jean Fraser [mailto:JF@portlandmaine.gov]
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2013 11:32 AM
To: Regina S. Leonard
Cc: sparker@avestahousing.org; Darren Shiers; vpaquingould@greatfallsinc.com; lewis@pdtarchs.com; Barbara Barhydt; Phillip DiPierro; dcameron@woodardcurran.com
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Regina

Based on the e-mail from Darren Shiers dated 8.15.2013 regarding the sound characteristics of the proposed unit and the report of his discussions with the occupier with the nearest windows (extracted below), we confirm this heat pump system (Daikin Super Multi NX Heat Pump A/C) for Unit L is acceptable as a diminimus site plan amendment.

Thank you for all of the information.

*Jean Fraser, Planner
City of Portland
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Extract:

>>> "Darren Shiers" <darren@greatfallsinc.com> 8/15/2013 2:03 PM >>>
Regina and Jean,

In talking with Airtemp, these units are extremely quiet and efficient. The 57 dba's or 60, only happens on high or full demand (very hot days or cold nights). It will most often be on low demand and run at very low noise levels. There is a window on the Scott's unit across the way, 20 ft or so, if open would allow the noise to be heard depending on how the wind is blowing and other noise going on at the time. I reviewed this with Mrs Scott the other day and she was not the least bit concerned. We do not want any screening to close to the unit as air flow and snow build up is a concern but there is plenty of room at the front of the planting bed for

whatever is deemed appropriate to provide some sort of screening. I think everyone realizes it is on the same wall as the CMP meters, gas piping etc... so it will not change the esthetic look with what is already there, just want to make sure we all have the same information. The condenser comes with some sort of wrap which is one reason the unit is so quiet. Pete Lewis from Airptemp can be reached at 774-2300 if more detail info is needed. He did report me that they install lots of these units in lots of different applications because they are so efficient and quiet. Please let me know if there are any other concerns. Thanks

Darren Shiers

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>>> "Regina S. Leonard" <regina@rslcdesign.com> 8/13/2013 2:55 PM >>>
Hi Jean,

The buyers of Unit L at the Adams site have requested a small exterior-mounted AC unit, which will be installed near the existing utility panel bank located along the wall bordering the internal walkway. The unit is approximately 31"X37" and will be wall-mounted at 12" height. Please reference the attached for more information and for photographs of the proposed location. I have also prepared an update to the plantings, which is fairly minor and described in the attached drawing. We are seeking the Planning Department's authorization to proceed with this change. Thank you.

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