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Accessibility Narrative

The proposed project at 7 Cumberland Street will meet Fair Housing Accessibility Standards as is required for a new building. Due to the goal of providing housing at sub-market rates, no elevator will be installed and only the first floor units will need to meet the Fair Housing requirements. As no public spaces exist within the building, ADA will not apply.

The design includes two entrances: a contextual entrance and a practical entrance. The contextual entrance faces the street and can be used to access the central stairs. These elements give the building the same connection to the street that is found in the surrounding buildings and has documented historic precedent.

The practical entrance is located in the back of the building adjacent to the parking and represents the shortest path by which to leave the building. This back entrance and the way it is used is also consistent with the surrounding buildings. The back entrance is the accessible entrance, and is immediately adjacent to the accessible parking spot.