

Jonathan Rioux
Deputy Director of Inspections
Inspections Division
City of Portland
389 Congress Street
Portland, ME 04101

RE: Building Permit Application No. 201601442, 96 Federal St, Portland ME 04101

Mr. Rioux and the Department of Inspections,

As per our conversations with representatives from the Departments of Building Inspections, Historic Preservation and Fire at a May 4, 2016 Pre-Application meeting with the property's owners, we submit this Permit request that, among other changes, includes the substitution of a sprinkler system for a second egress. At that meeting, the owner requested permission to remove the existing staircase from the back porch when the porch is rebuilt. Representatives from the fire department said that this change would be allowable if a sprinkler system was installed. Please note our submission reflects this agreement.

Sincerely,

Joe Hemes AIA, LEED AP HEMESphere Design LLC

cc: Dan Black, Brewster Buttfield,