

## Jeanie Bourke - Re: 31 Exchange st Original Railing back

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Hi Roxanne,

To follow up with our meeting, I also referred to the existing building code. The following is a synopsis for the approval to use the existing handrails and guardrails.

1. The existing building code, Sec. 705.9, Handrails Sec. 705.10, Guards allows the existing to remain in place as they do not pose any danger. For the handrail section that has been removed at the lower stair, this shall be re-attached at the height required by code. This is measured at the leading edge of the tread, vertical to the top of the handrail at a minimum of 34" and maximum of 36".

2. Craig Messenger of the Fire Department has confirmed with me that the NFPA 101 Life Safety code does allow the existing to remain as well.

Let me know if you have any questions,

Thanks,  
Jeanie

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Dear Jean,

Thank you very much for making the time to check the railings at the 31 Exchange Street earlier this morning and for giving us the green light to put back the original railings back as long as we meet the city code requirements.

Till then enjoy your walk back in this fine weather.

Sincerely,  
Roxanne Baker

Sent from AOL Mobile Mail