Planning and Urban Development Department **Planning Division**



Subject:

R-5 Design Review – 84 Irving Street

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The two-family dwelling at 84 Irving Street was reviewed against the R-5 Small Residential Lot Development Design Standards (Appendix 6 of the Design Manual). Reviewers: Caitlin Cameron, Urban Designer, Planning Division of the Department of Planning & Urban Development.

Design Review Comments (red text denotes standards that are not met):

1 Context - Met

• Form and massing of the new construction are generally compatible with the residential context.

2 Public Realm - Met

- The main entry to the building is side-facing provide a paved path to the entry from the sidewalk.
- It appears building will be set back from street to a comparable degree with neighboring buildings but not clear without a site plan. Building should be set back enough to provide privacy for ground-floor spaces.

3 Orientation - Not Met

- The principal façade and entrance are side-facing the street façade is being treated like a side façade.
- The standard requires a side-facing entry to include a porch or covered entry that extends towards the street.

4 Articulation - Not Met

- Street façade is lacking articulation. Street facades in this context include an entry with porch, stoop, or canopy and/or window bays. At least one of these elements or a similar architectural feature is needed.
- At least 15% of street façade needs to be fenestrated.
- The windows have a vertical proportion but are shorter, it appears, than the context. Make sure the window height/proportion are comparable to street.

5 Garages – Met

Garage is side-facing and door is less than 40% of facade

6 Materials - Info needed

What are the proposed materials?