October 9, 2015

Kathryn Ellis

8 Chester St.

Portland, ME 04103

RE: 8 Chester St. – 431-C-015 – R-3 Residential Zone and SZ Shoreland Zone – Deck - Application #2015-02210

Dear Ms. Ellis:

I am in receipt of your application for an after-the-fact permit to construct a 10-foot by 16-foot deck on the waterfront side of your house at 8 Chester St. The permit application is being denied based on the fact that Section 14-382(f) of the City’s ordinance does not allow new construction or expansions that would increase the non-conformity of the structure, in this case with respect to the required 75-foot setback from the highest annual tide line of a coastal wetland [Section 14-449(a)(1)].

You must bring your property into compliance within thirty days of the date of this letter. You need to remove the entirety of the illegal deck structure to the satisfaction of the inspector.

You have the right to appeal my decision. If you wish to exercise your right to appeal, you have thirty days from the date of this letter in which to file an appeal. If you should fail to do so, my decision is binding and no longer subject to appeal. To file an appeal, please contact our office for the necessary paperwork.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Christina Stacey

Zoning Specialist

(207) 874-8695

cc: Chuck Fagone