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April 19, 2012

Kathryn M Ellis
8 Chester Street
Portland, ME 04103

RE: 8 Chester Street – 431-C-15 & 16 – R-3 with a Shoreland Overlay
Permit # 2012-02-3327

Dear Ms. Ellis,

On February 21, 2012 this office received an application to erect a new 24' x 26' garage at 8 Chester Street. On February 23, 2012 I requested to see the original site plan done by a surveyor in 1993. The next day you did bring in a more complete copy of the 1993 survey. Ultimately based on that paperwork and other submitted materials, your permit was issued with conditions for a garage reduced in size to 24' x 25'.

It has recently come to my attention that the 1993 survey was apparently manipulated to show buildings in different positions than the original 1993 survey. I was given google photos showing a shed in the position of where the garage is to be located. It was only moved "weeks ago" to the position shown on the 1993 survey. This office never received permits for the shed and its apparent new location. And it is known that you rebuilt your sea wall (with appropriate permits) in 2007.

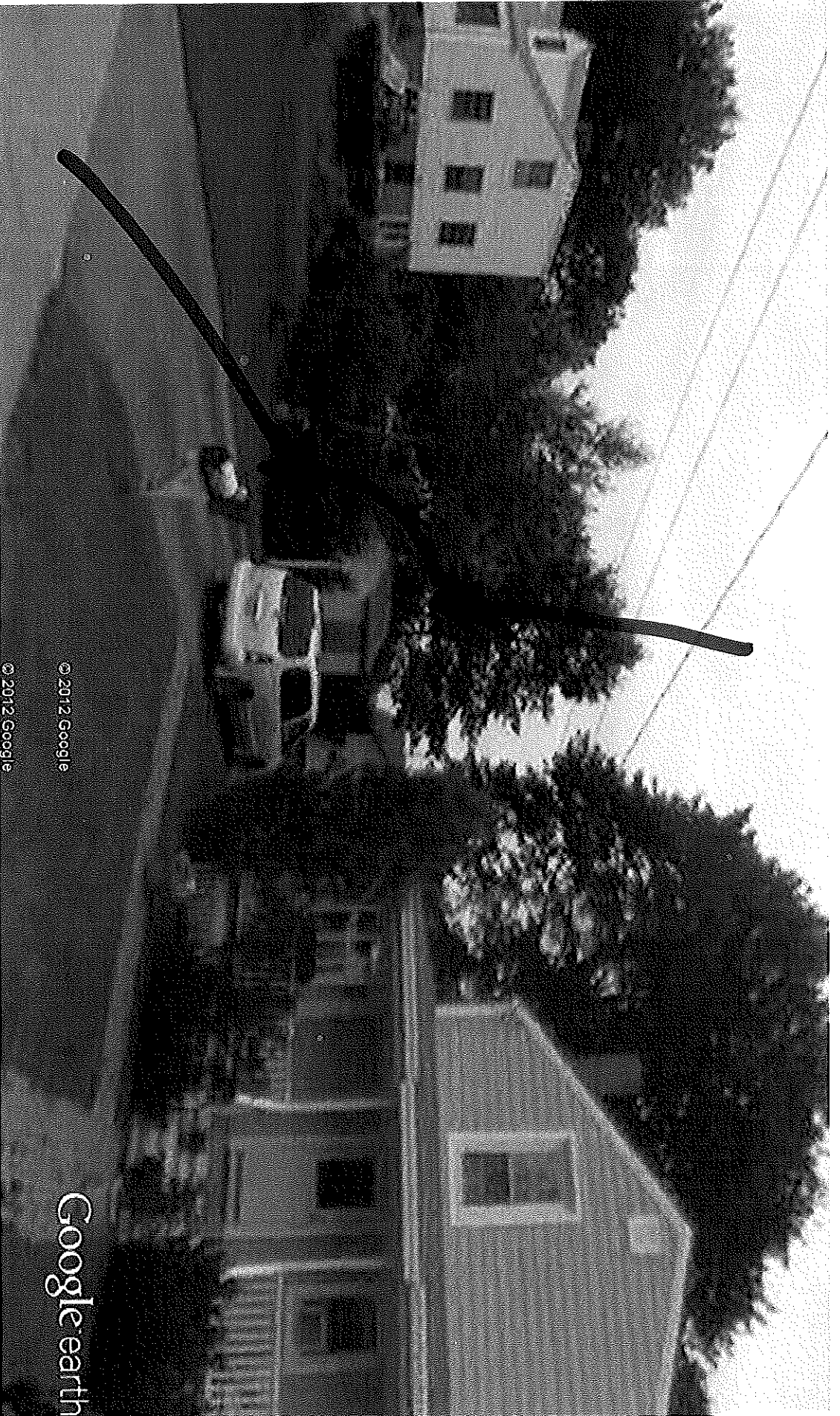
Because of the all these recent activities, there is good reason to question your 1993 survey. At this time I am suspending your approval to build a garage. My inspection of the property today shows that no construction has begun for the garage. In order to re-activate your permit, I will need to see a revised, currently dated survey showing setbacks from the Highest Annual Tide (HAT) along with and including all the changes done to your property. I will also need a separate permit for the shed and its new location on your lot. All submittals will be subject to reviews and approvals.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 874-8695.

Very truly yours,

Marge Schmuckal

Cc: Mike Morse, DEP
Jim LaRose, Jim's Remodeling, 8 Chester Street, Portland, ME 04103
Tammy Munson, Division Director of Inspection Services



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