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BOARD OF ZONING APPEAL 831 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge MA 02139 SEP 18 AM II: 17

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## BZA Application Form

BZA Number: 238938

## General Information

The undersigned hereby petitions the Board of Zoning Appeal for the following:
Special Permit: $\qquad$ X

Variance: $\qquad$ Appeal: $\qquad$

PETITIONER: Richard Anderson \& Fernanda Sakamoto C/O (Var Laakso) The Galante Architecture Studio Inc.
PETITIONERS ADDRESS: 146 Mount Auburn Street, Cambridge, MA 02138
LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 10 Hilliard PI, Cambridge, MA
TYPE OF OCCUPANCY: Single Family Residence ZONING DISTRICT: Residence B Zone

## REASON FOR PETITION:

## DESCRIPTION OF PETITIONER'S PROPOSAL:

The existing structure exceeds the allowable FAR. The proposed alteration increases the FAR. An alteration is being made to an existing window on the south elevation that is within the existing non conforming side setback.

## SECTIONS OF ZONING ORDINANCE CITED:

Article: 5.000
Article: 8.000
Article: 10.000

Section: 5.31 (Table of Dimensional Requirements).
Section: 8.22.2.d \& 8.22.2.c (Non-Conforming Structure).
Section: 10.40 (Special Permit).

Original
Signature (s):

(Petitioner (s) / Owner)

Address:
Tel. No.
146 MT. MON 97.
6175762500
yl@galantearchitecture.com

Date: 9.15 .23

## BZA APPLICATION FORM - OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

To be completed by OWNER, signed before a notary and returned to The Secretary of the Board of Zoning Appeals.



- If ownership is not shown in recorded deed, e.g. if by court order, recent deed, or inheritance, please include documentation.


## BZA Application Form

## SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT

Please describe in complete detail how you meet each of the following criteria referring to the property and proposed changes or uses which are requested in your application. Attach sheets with additional information for special permits which have additional criteria, e.g.; fast food permits, comprehensive permits, etc., which must be met.

## Granting the Special Permit requested for 10 Hilliard PI,Cambridge, MA (location) would not be a detriment to the public interest because:

A) Requirements of the Ordinance can or will be met for the following reasons:

The project is alteration and historic restoration of an existing single family residience. There is not a proposed change in use. The existing non conforming single family residence will not be changed with the exception of modifing an existing dormer window within the existing non conforming side set back and increasing gross floor area by 187 square feet in the basement to provide space for the owner's family members.
B) Traffic generated or patterns of access or egress would not cause congestion hazard, or substantial change in established neighborhood character for the following reasons:

The project is an alteration and historic restoration of an existing single family residience. There will be no change in access or egress as the house is an existing structure and the 2 parking spaces allowed for the house are remaining at 2 parking spaces. There is no change to the position or location of the house on site as the house is being structurally restored in place and the limited alterations are within the existing footprint and are mostly within undergrade basement. There is an existing arched dormer window within the side set back that is being modified to a skylight. This will decrease it's overall size and height. There will be no change in neighborhood character.

The continued operation of or the development of adjacent uses as permitted in the Zoning
C) Ordinance would not be adversely affected by the nature of the proposed use for the following reasons:

The project is alteration and historic restoration of an existing single family residience. There is no proposed change in use.
D) Nuisance or hazard would not be created to the detriment of the health, safety, and/or welfare of the occupant of the proposed use or the citizens of the City for the following reasons:

The project is alteration and historicly appropriate restoration of an existing single family residience. The entire house from below grade to the roof will become super insulated and be a more energy efficient home in the City of Cambridge. The proposed house design removes the fossil fuel systems and replaces it with an all electric systems. The high level of insulation and lack of leaking basement provides positive effect on public good as the fossil fuel heating sources will be removed from this house and it will have a smaller carbon footprint overall.
E)

For other reasons, the proposed use would not impair the integrity of the district or adjoining district or otherwise derogate from the intent or purpose of this ordinance for the following reasons:

The project is alteration and historically appropriate restoration of an existing single family residience in an historic disrict. There is no proposed change in use. The renovation includes replacing historically inappropriate modern looking windows with new historically appropriate windows to match the historic character of the existing house and historic district. The project includes a storm water infiltration system which decreases the ammount of storm water runoff into the neighborhood and city storm water system which is an improvement to the existing site and surrounding neighboors properties.
*If you have any questions as to whether you can establish all of the applicable legal requirements, you should consult with an attorney.

## DIMENSIONAL INFORMATION

| Applicant: | Richard Anderson \& Fernanda Sakamoto |
| :--- | :--- |
| Location: | $\underline{10 \text { Hilliard Pl }, \text { Cambridge, MA }}$ |
| Phone: | 6175762500 |

Present Use/Occupancy: Single Family Residence
Zone: Residence B Zone
Requested Use/Occupancy: Single Family Residence

|  |  | Existing_Conditions | Requested Conditions | Ordinance Reguirements |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOTAL GROSS FLOOR } \\ & \text { AREA: } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 3,621.8 | 3,809.5 | 3,411 | (max.) |
| LOT AREA: |  | 7,604 | 7,604 | 5000 | (min.) |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { RATIO OF GROSS } \\ & \text { FLOOR AREA TO LOT } \\ & \text { AREA: }^{2} \\ & \hline \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 47.6 | 50 | 44.8 |  |
| LOT AREA OF EACH DWELLING UNIT |  | N/A | N/A | N/A |  |
| SIZE OF LOT: | WIDTH | 82' | 82 | 50 |  |
|  | DEPTH | 100 | 100 | Table 5-1 does not list depth requirements |  |
| SETBACKS IN FEET: | FRONT | 31'-8 | 31'-8 | 15 |  |
|  | REAR | 17' | $17^{\prime}$ | 25' |  |
|  | LEFT SIDE | 0 | 0 | 7'-6 |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RIGHT } \\ & \text { SIDE } \end{aligned}$ | 10'-5 | 10'-5 | 7'-6 |  |
| SIZE OF BUILDING: | HEIGHT | $24^{\prime}$ | 33' | 35' |  |
|  | WIDTH | 49'6 | 49'6 | N/A no width requirements listed in section 5-1 |  |
|  | LENGTH | 50 | 50 | N/A No width requirements listed in section 5-1 |  |
| RATIO OF USABLE OPEN SPACE TO LOT AREA: |  | 74 | 74 | 40 |  |
| NO. OF DWELLING UNITS: |  | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { NO. OF PARKING } \\ & \text { SPACES: } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { NO. OF LOADING } \\ & \text { AREAS: } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| DISTANCE TO <br> NEAREST BLDG. ON SAME LOT |  | N/A | N/A | N/A |  |

Describe where applicable, other occupancies on the same lot, the size of adjacent buildings on same lot, and type of construction proposed, e.g; wood frame, concrete, brick, steel, etc.:

No other buildings exist on the same lot

1. SEE CAMBRIDGE ZONING ORDINANCE ARTICLE 5.000, SECTION 5.30 (DISTRICT OF DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS).
2. TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA (INCLUDING BASEMENT 7'-0" IN HEIGHT AND ATTIC AREAS GREATER THAN 5') DIVIDED BY LOT AREA.
3. OPEN SPACE SHALL NOT INCLUDE PARKING AREAS, WALKWAYS OR DRIVEWAYS AND SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM DIMENSION OF 15 .


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## TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA:



RATIO OF GROSS FLOOR AREA TO LOT AREA: ${ }^{2}$
LOT AREA FOR EACH DWELLING UNIT:
SIZE OF LOT: WIDTH $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Setbacks in } \\ \text { Feet: } \\ \text { FRONT } \\ \text { LEAR OF BLDG. } \\ \text { RIGHT SIDE } \\ \text { HEIGHT } & \end{array}$
RATIO OF USABLE OPEN SPACE TO LOT AREA: ${ }^{3}$ )

NO. OF DWELLING UNITS:
NO. OF PARKING SPACES:
NO. OF LOADING AREAS:
DISTANCE TO NEAREST BLDG. ON SAME LOT:


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| Average Grade Calculations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| perimeter $=196^{\prime}-4 / 1 / 6^{\prime \prime}=196.36$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Segment 3 |  | south | uth 47 - | 47-9 1/4" | 1/4" 47.77 | 732.31 | 1,543.449 |
| Segment 4 |  | west | st 27 - | 27-9" | 27.75 | 32.60 | 904.65 |
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|  | Average Grade $=32^{\prime}-2^{\prime \prime}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Zoning Ordinance
Article 5.000 - Development Standards
Elevator Bulkhead

> 5.23 Height Exceeptions. The provisions of this Ordinance governing he height of buildings and structures in all ilistricts shal generaly not apply to (a) chimneys, water towers, air condition ing equipment,, elevator bulkheads, skylights, ventilators and other necessary featurera apputrenant to oubidings which are usually caried above roofs and are not used for human occupancy



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## Elevations

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Existing \& Proposed Floor Plans

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(2) Existing Second Floor Plan

(5) Proposed Second Floor Plan

(3) Existing Third Floor Plan

(6) Proposed Third Floor Plan BE INCLUDED IN GROSS FLOOR AREA

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(1) Existing East Elevation $\qquad$

(4) Proposed South Elevation

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(3) Existing West Elevation $\qquad$

(2) Proposed North Elevation

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(4) Proposed West Elevation



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9. West Elevation


6 South Elevation


North Elevation


5 South East Elevation


North Elevation

(4) East Elevation


Front Pavemen

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Permit Set

September 4, 2023
Re: 10 Hilliard Place - ready, set, renovate

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Address 22 Berkeley Street, Cambridge, Owner 4-6 Hilliard Place


Proposed Basement



Proposed 1st Floor includes Covered Porch excluding mechanical


Proposed Second Floor excluding mechanical


Proposed Second Floor

Allowable GFA for the lot $=3,411 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$

Existing Non-Conforming
Gross Floor Area of $3,621.8 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$
Existing Gross Floor Area Calculations

Second Floor
Total
205. sq ft
$3,621.8$ sq ft

Proposed Third Floor Head House excludes roof deck



Proposed Gross Floo Area $=3,809.5 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft}$
Proposed Gross Floor Area Calculation

First Floor $\quad 1,941.5 \mathrm{sq}$ fi $\begin{array}{ll}\text { First Floor } & \text { 1,941.5 s s ft } \\ \text { Second Floor } & \text { 1,751. sq ft } \\ \text { Head house } & \text { 117. }\end{array}$ | Head house | 1,751. sq |
| :--- | :--- |
| Total | 117. sqfit | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Existing Non-Conforming } \\ \text { Gross Floor Area }= & \\ 3,621.8 \text { sqft }\end{array}$

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Signed,
 - Date $20^{-2}$ \& September 2023

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