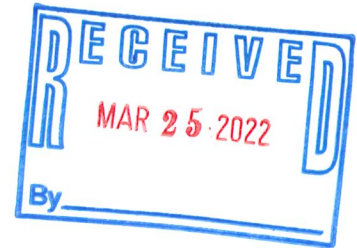


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Nantucket Historic District Commission
2 Fairgrounds Road
Nantucket, MA 02554

March 18, 2022

Re: 34B Walsh Street – Application for Addition/Renovation

Dear HDC Commission:

I am the owner of 34A Walsh Street [which bears the name “Tucked Away”] which shares a right-of-way drive with 34B Walsh Street and 34 Walsh Street; each of these properties are immediately adjacent to my house. The houses located at 34 Walsh Street, 34A Walsh Street, and 34B Walsh Street are on a private right-of-way/driveway that runs behind Walsh Street. My house at 34A Walsh Street is a full 2-story home, as are the houses directly in front of our way, located at 36, 38 and 40 Walsh Street.

I have reviewed the renovation plans submitted by David and Kathy Sloan, who own 34B Walsh Street. My wife and I are supportive of the Sloan’s proposed renovation and feel it fits in well with all the surrounding properties. To some degree, the Sloan’s could be commended for only modestly expanding the footprint of their house – they are essentially squaring it off and raising their existing footprint. Since the Sloan’s lot, like mine, is more than 7,000 square feet, they certainly could have proposed a more significant and impactful renovation that utilizes more groundcover and overall mass.

Having watched the 2018 HDC approval, and 2020 construction, of the house located on our driveway immediately next door at 34 Walsh Street, we understand the changing scope and scale in the neighborhood. In addition, the 34 Walsh Street home appears to have used much, or even all, of the groundcover on a lot that is smaller than my lot and the Sloan’s lot. It is also a full 3 stories plus a roof walk. The Sloan’s proposal is smaller in size and scope to 34 Walsh Street as well as our immediate neighbors at 32 Walsh Street and 1 Henry Street.

If any property is truly affected by the Sloan’s proposed renovation, it is ours and we support it as recently revised. Any suggestion that the Sloan’s proposed renovation is massive and out of context to the neighborhood is inaccurate. We are comfortable with the Sloan’s revised renovation plan and recommend HDC approval.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Scott Oldakowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "W" and "S".

W. Scott Oldakowski