

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

**CITY OF NEWTON
Massachusetts**

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: November 22, 2017

TO: All Members, City Council

FROM: Neil Cronin, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Consistency Request Special Permits #923-73(2) and #621-74
37 Hamlet Street (Houghton Village)

The petitioner has submitted a consistency request to demolish and reconstruct a one-story, 9 foot by 12 foot maintenance space attached to the community building constructed in accordance with the above special permits.

The petitioner states that the existing maintenance space was constructed as a shed via a consistency ruling by the then Commissioner of Inspectional Services in 1989. Later in 2003, an elevator was installed and the elevator shaft was located in this space.

The request seeks to demolish the existing space and construct it with a larger footprint (9 foot by 17.5 feet) with a second-story to enlarge the existing community room on the second floor. In total, the scope would increase the amount of square footage on site by approximately 200 square feet.

The Planning Department notes the request does not affect the existing dimensional controls and, as the structures are not greater than fifty years old, Newton Historical Commission review is not applicable. Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this topic.

Thank you.

cc: Planning Department Files
City Clerk Files