



Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission

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MICHAEL MACHERAS

v.

Decision #86-6

OLD KING'S HIGHWAY REGIONAL HISTORIC  
DISTRICT COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWN OF  
BARNSTABLE

On Tuesday, May 20, 1986 the Commission held a hearing on Appeal #86-6 filed by Michael Macheras seeking review of a decision by the Barnstable Historic District Committee which had imposed conditions on the granting of a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations on property located on Fieldstone Drive in Barnstable, Massachusetts.

Present were: Mr. MacSwan, Barnstable; Mrs. Stout, Dennis; Mr. Blaisdell, Sandwich; Mr. Shaw, Yarmouth; Mr. Ivers, Administrative Assistant; Mr. Wilson, Commission Counsel; Mr. Macheras, and Mr. O'Leary, owner of the property.

The hearing was called to order at the scheduled time of 7:45 P.M.

Mr. O'Leary, owner of the property, addressed the Commission and stated that his architect and he felt that the sunburst feature over the front door was aesthetically more appropriate than dormers or skylights as recommended by the Town Committee. He stated that the house would not be that visible and that his neighbors did not object to the proposed feature.

Mr. MacSwan, speaking on behalf of the Barnstable Committee, stated that the Committee had approved the overall plans, but felt that the proposed feature over the door was too large and not appropriate to the front of the building. The feature contrasted with the dormers and the other window treatments on the front elevation.

Mr. Blaisdell concurred with the Committee's opinion, and suggested that there were too many different design features proposed for the front elevation of the building.

After lengthy discussion the Commission made the following finding and determination:

That the Barnstable Committee did not err in disapproving the proposed window feature and, therefore, the decision of the Town Committee is hereby affirmed.

Any person aggrieved by this decision has a right to appeal to the District Court Department, Barnstable Division, within 20 days of the filing of this decision with the Barnstable Town Clerk.

Anne Stout  
Chairman