

**JEFFREY & BETH FANARA**

**v.**

**Decision #2000-05**

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

On Tuesday, April 4, 2000 the Commission held a hearing on Appeal #2000-05 filed by Jeffrey & Beth Fanara, seeking review of a decision by the Dennis Historic District Committee denying a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to a building located at 200 Route 6A, Dennis, Massachusetts.

Present were Edward Molans, Barnstable; Paul White, Sandwich; Paul San Clemente, Dennis; Deborah Gray, Yarmouth; Roy Robinson, Brewster; Robert G. Brown, Commission Counsel; E. James Veara, Attorney for the Appellants; and Jeffrey & Beth Fanara, Appellants.

The Committee's decision was filed with the Town Clerk on February 28, 2000. The appeal was entered with the Commission on March 3, 2000, within the 10 day appeal period.

**THE APPELLANT'S PRESENTATION:**

E. James Veara, Attorney for the Appellants addressed the Commission in favor of the appeal. He introduced his clients and displayed a plan of the proposed alterations. The current garage door will be eliminated and replaced with an addition. The nature of the renovation is appropriate and not out of character with what has been approved in the District. The Dennis Committee's decision was based on the size of the shed dormer. He displayed photos of previously approved applications for approximately the same size shed dormer. He asked that the Dennis Committee's decision be reversed.

**THE COMMITTEE'S PRESENTATION:**

Paul San Clemente, representing the Dennis Committee, addressed the Commission in opposition to the appeal. He said there are a number of shed dormers throughout the town, however, this shed dormer will be 26 feet long and the Committee felt that a massive shed dormer such as this did not belong on Route 6A.

**DISCUSSION:**

In discussion among Commission members there was a consensus that the Dennis Committee was not completely familiar with the site and that a remand, conditioned on a site visit by the Dennis Committee, would be of great help in possibly settling this matter.

**FINDINGS:**

The Commission voted as follows:

1. That the matter be remanded to the Dennis Historic District Committee with directions to include a site visit. 3-1-1.

**DETERMINATION:**

As to Appeal #2000-05, the matter is remanded to the Dennis Committee.

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

Roy Robinson  
Chairman