

ANDA PETERSON

v.

Decision #99-17

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

On Tuesday, November 9, 1999 the Commission held a hearing on Appeal #99-17 filed by Anda Peterson, seeking review of a decision by the Sandwich Historic District Committee denying a Certificate of Appropriateness for alterations to a building located at 41 Main Street, Sandwich, Massachusetts.

Present were Edward Molans, Barnstable; Paul White, Sandwich; Elizabeth Wilcox, Dennis; Deborah Gray, Yarmouth; Roy Robinson, Brewster; William Quinn, Orleans; Robert G. Brown, Commission Counsel; and Anda Peterson, Appellant.

The Committee's decision was filed with the Town Clerk on October 14, 1999. The appeal was entered with the Commission on October 19, 1999, within the 10 day appeal period.

THE APPELLANT'S PRESENTATION:

Anda Peterson, Appellant, addressed the Commission in favor of the Appeal. She said the Committee felt that what was being proposed was a three-story addition when it is really a two-story addition. The Committee turned the application down for the reason that the plans were incomplete and this is preposterous.

THE COMMITTEE'S PRESENTATION:

Paul White, representing the Sandwich Committee, explained the Sandwich Committee's reasons for denial. He said the Committee could not figure out what the Appellant wanted. There was nothing to let the Committee know what the final product would look like. As a result, the Committee denied the application.

DISCUSSION:

In discussion among Commission members there was a consensus that the plans presented to the Sandwich Committee were not to scale and lacking in detail. As such, the Sandwich Committee had a reasonable basis for its decision.

FINDINGS:

The Commission voted as follows:

1. That the Sandwich Committee did not act in an arbitrary, capricious or erroneous manner or use poor judgment in denying the Appellant's application for a Certificate of Appropriateness. 5-0-1.
2. That the appeal is denied.

DETERMINATION:

As to Appeal #99-17, the appeal is denied.

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 Sandwich Town Clerk.

William Quinn
Chair