

November 20, 2024

Dear Conservation Commission Members,

I am writing about a project at 14 Phillips Lane in Newtonville. We are trying to replace a very old and rusted steel garage on the exact same footprint and with the same materials. The garage is an eyesore and in very poor condition. We have filed pictures of the existing conditions with the building application.

We are seeking an RDA determination.

After much discussion, it appears that we need to replace the existing slab to support the new steel garage structure.

We understand the level of care for the soil and conservation impact that is required given the location of the garage between 100 to 200 feet of the brook. I have discussed extensively the management of the construction site and specifically the removal of the old slab and any waste drainoff from the construction of the new slab with our contractor: Jave Properties.

Demolition

Our plan for the demolition is to place a container in the driveway to collect the existing garage structure as we take it down. As to the existing slab, the contractor will bucket the old slab to transport it to their own trucks and will transport the old slab to be discarded at a transfer station. The contractor trucks will be parked in our driveway when in use, including for the removal of the old slab, and on Pulsifer when not needed. Our cars will be parked on Pulsifer road given that Phillips Lane is a one lane cul de sac. There will be no stockpiling of the old slab on the ground or disruption of the soil beyond the normal movement required to remove the slab. The contractor will seek to minimize soil disruption during the process.

New slab construction

To build the new slab, we plan to prepare the site first. This will include compacting the soil, installing the required draining rock/gravel and then building the concrete forms as a first step. Then we will then bring in a concrete truck to pour the new concrete. The concrete pouring process will be complete within a few hours. The concrete truck will be parked in the driveway. The contractor has agreed not to do any wash out of buckets or other materials on the property and will transport the soiled materials for cleaning to another location. At all the steps we will seek to minimize the soil disruption impact.

New plantings

During the renovation of our driveway several years ago, we agreed to plant three new native shrubs on the side of the garage. We did that. Sadly, several of those died because of a lack of sun in that area. We have since planted two new shrubs, one by the walkway to the house and one close to the garage and they seem to be doing well. For this project, we will plant 4 new native shrubs, for a total of six shrubs on the side of the house.

We sincerely appreciate your help and guidance and respectfully request a negative determination on the RDA.

Louise Dube - *Christ Gunning*

Louise Dube and Christopher Gunning

November 20, 2014

Dear Council, Commission Members,

I am writing about a project at 14 Park Street in the building that is being renovated. The project is to renovate the garage on the east side of the building and the east side of the building. We have to do a lot of work on the existing concrete and the building.

We are looking at the building.

After much discussion it appears that we need to remove the existing concrete and the building.

We have seen the results of the work on the renovation project that was done on the east side of the building. The work was done on the east side of the building. The work was done on the east side of the building. The work was done on the east side of the building.

Removal

Our plan for the renovation is to remove the existing concrete and the building. We will be removing the existing concrete and the building. We will be removing the existing concrete and the building. We will be removing the existing concrete and the building.

New slab construction

To build the new slab we will be pouring the concrete. This will include removing the existing concrete and the building. We will be pouring the concrete and the building. We will be pouring the concrete and the building.

New finishes

During the renovation of the building we will be removing the existing concrete and the building. We will be removing the existing concrete and the building. We will be removing the existing concrete and the building.

We would appreciate your help and advice and especially request a negative determination on the project.