



**Landmarks Preservation
Commission**

Date: May 5, 2015

LPC Docket: 167343

LPC Action: Approved with Modifications

Action Required by Other Agencies: DOB

Permit Type: Certificate of Appropriateness

Address: 444 6th Avenue

Borough: Manhattan **Block:** 574 **Lot:** 2

Historic District: Greenwich Village Historic District

Description: A Greek Revival style rowhouse built in 1834-35 with a later rooftop addition. Application is to modify the rooftop addition and legalize the installation of railings and HVAC equipment in non-compliance with Certificate of Appropriateness 03-0464.

COMMISSION FINDINGS

Staff notes that the building's style, scale, materials and details are among the features that contribute to the special architectural and historic character of the Greenwich Village Historic District. Staff notes that the rooftop addition was constructed prior to designation, and was later altered.

Pursuant to Section 25-307 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the Commission **APPROVED with MODIFICATIONS**, finding:

- that the raising of the party wall parapets will help conceal the roof deck and HVAC units, and will not detract from the unadorned lot-line walls;
- that from more distant vantage points from the north and south, the rooftop addition and rooftop features are seen against the backdrop of taller buildings, helping them to blend in with the surrounding roofscape;
- and that the presence of visible rooftop features in this streetscape, along 6th Avenue, will not diminish the special architectural and historic character of the Greenwich Village Historic District.

However, in voting to grant approval, the Commission required:

- that the metal railing be set back slightly and replaced with a similar railing of a simple and open design and neutral finish, instead of the addition of more masonry.

VOTE: <10-0-0>

Present: Srinivasan, Shamir Baron, Bland, Chapin, Chen, Devonshire, Goldblum, Gustafsson, Vauss, Washington

In Favor: Srinivasan, Shamir Baron, Bland, Chapin, Chen, Devonshire, Goldblum, Gustafsson, Vauss, Washington

Oppose:

Abstain:

Recuse:

Please note that these "Commission Findings" are a summary of the findings related to the application. **This is NOT a permit or approval to commence any work.** No work may occur until the Commission has issued a Certificate of Appropriateness, which requires review and approval of Department of Buildings filing drawings and/or other construction drawings related to the approved work. In addition, no work may occur until the work has been reviewed and approved by other City agencies, such as the Department of Buildings, as required by law.