



## MENDON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - HISTORIC DISTRICT CERTIFICATE**

*Application #: HDC-24-3*

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under the Town of Mendon, Massachusetts, General Bylaws Chapter XXX, Sec. 7, Historic District By-Law of a PUBLIC HEARING to consider an application for a certificate of Appropriateness for work proposed within the Historic District.**

A public hearing will be held to consider issuing a Certificate of Appropriateness for ground-mounted solar panels at 31 WASHINGTON STREET MENDON, MA located within the Washington Street District.

The property in question is owned by DA CRUZ GLAYTON.

The PUBLIC HEARING is scheduled for **March 28, 2024** at **7pm** to take place at **Mendon Town Hall**. This hearing will be open to the public and public comment will be permitted. The meeting will be held in a "hybrid" format allowing both in-person and remote attendance.

**Please visit [mendonma.gov/hdc/hearings](http://mendonma.gov/hdc/hearings) for participation info.**

Those unable to attend in person may submit written comments via email ([hdc@mendonma.gov](mailto:hdc@mendonma.gov)) or mail. All comments must include the name and address of the author and be received by the commission no later than 5pm on March 28, 2024.

#### **Background Information on the Historic District By-Law:**

In 2017 the Town of Mendon adopted the Historic District By-Law and created two historic districts, the Mendon Center District and the Taft Homestead District. The buildings and structures within these districts reflect or constitute distinctive features of the architectural, cultural, economic, political, or social history of the Town.

The intent of the by-law is to protect and preserve these resources through a local review system that encourages and ensures appropriate improvement and development within the historic districts. The Historic District Commission is authorized to review the appropriateness of exterior changes to buildings and places within the district that are visible from any public street, way or body of water.

The purpose of this public hearing is to review the proposed work within the district, as listed above and issue a certificate of appropriateness, hardship, non-applicability, or disapproval. In considering this application, the Historic District Commission will weigh the needs and the rights of the owner and the specific challenges presented by the property, the impact to the historical or architectural heritage or resources within the district, alongside the larger public benefit served by preserving the towns historic character. This hearing allows us to invite informed comments and opinions from the property owner, community members, abutting residents, and all other interested parties to help to guide our decision regarding the proposed work.

The Historic District Commission is committed to ensuring that when possible and within reason; every attempt is made to encourage and ensure appropriate improvement and development within the historic districts.

#### **Historical District Commission Members:**

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