

April 19, 2021
46 Jason St.
Arlington, MA 02476
Jessie Brown

Dear friends at the Historic District Commission,

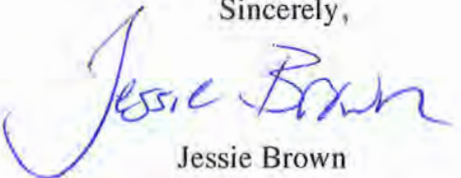
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Arlington Historic District Commissions

Application for Certificate

(Read attached instructions before completing form)

For Commission Use Only:

Date Rec: _____
Hearing Date: _____
Certificate #: _____
Monitor: _____

Certificate Requested:

- Appropriateness** – for work described herein
 Minor project Major Project Demolition
- Non-Applicability** – for the following reason(s):
 Not subject to public view
 Maintenance, repair, or replacement using same design and materials
 Proposed change specifically excluded from review under Bylaw
 Other: _____
- Hardship** – financial or otherwise and does not conflict substantially with the intent and purposes of the Bylaw

General Information:

Property Address 46 Jason St. District Jason/Gray
Owner(s) Jessica Brown Email poetwork@gmail.com
Owner's Phone (h) (781) 643-1023 (w) _____ (fax) _____
Owner's Address _____
Applicant (if not Owner) _____
Applicant's Phone (h) _____ (w) _____ (fax) _____
Applicant's Address _____
Applicant's Relationship to Owner _____

Contractor _____ Phone _____
Architect _____ Phone _____

Dates of Anticipated Work: Start April, 2021 Completion May, 2021

Description of Proposed Work: (attach additional pages as necessary) Please include a description of how the proposed work (if a change or addition) is historically and architecturally compatible with the building and the District as a whole.

We are proposing a contained garden in a raised bed, a long low rectangle with wooden sides, approximately 4x8 no more than 16" in height, set back from the street on the driveway side of our house.

Required Documentation Acknowledgement: (see attached instructions)

I acknowledge that I am required to provide supporting documentation, including the attached "Supporting Documents Checklist", by the deadlines indicated in the instructions. I understand that if such documents are not provided in a timely manner, this application will be considered to be incomplete and Commission action may be delayed.

I have read the attached instructions and, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is accurate and complete. I also give permission for members of the AHDC to access the property for the purpose of reviewing this application and work done under any certificate issued to me.

Owners Signature(s): Jessica Brown Date: 4/19/2021

ARLINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT APPLICATION

Supporting Documentation Checklist

Property Address 46 Jason St. District Jason/Gray
 Applicant's Name Jessica Ellen Brown Email prcthrbtk@gmail.com
 Applicant's Phone (Day) (781) 645-1023 (Mobile) _____

For Minor Projects or **Certificate of Non-Applicability**

Drawings (11x17 max., with graphic scale, dimensioned, all materials identified) or marked up Photographs (8x10) *see maps, diagrams*

Existing conditions of historic façade(s) to be modified; Show location of proposed work; Show proposed feature(s); Elevations showing proposed work and context; Drawing showing location of proposed work; Drawing showing the proposed feature(s); Site plan for site located equipment and features

Manufacturer's literature and specifications sheets describing the proposed feature(s)

Description of how the proposed work is either compatible with the District or Non-Applicable *see letter*

For Major Projects

Photographs (8x10)

Existing conditions of historic structure to be modified (facades, roofs, neighboring buildings); Site; Neighborhood context; Historic precedents for proposed work

Drawings (11x17 max., with graphic scale, must show differentiated existing and proposed conditions, dimensions, and all materials identified)

Plans

Site (showing proposed structures, fences, walls, parking, HVAC equipment, electrical equipment, and relationship to adjacent roads, neighboring buildings); Each floor; Roof (showing valleys, hips, ridges, dormers, skylights, chimneys, vents, HVAC equipment, solar panels)

Elevations of building facades- identify:

Foundation; Siding ; Trim; Gutters; Downspouts; Shutters; Railings; Stairs; Windows; Doors; Roof materials; Roof pitch; Chimneys and vents; Masonry; Light fixtures; Solar panels; HVAC equipment; Electrical equipment; Fences; Signage

Wall sections (especially showing projecting features such as bays, balconies, porches, additions)

Relevant exterior detail drawings (architectural trim, eaves, doors, windows, caps, columns, vents, rail systems)

Profile drawings (window and door elements, railings, balusters, stairs, shutters, roof trim, corner boards, casings, water tables, skirts, frieze boards, and all other trim)

For projections, additions and new construction also include:

Neighborhood lot plan- include footprint to lot area ratio as well as that of neighboring lots; Plot plan- existing building(s), setbacks, proposed new structures; Site section (show relationship to site topography, adjacent structures, major landscape features, roads)

Manufacturers' literature and specification sheets describing the proposed components

Suggested Supporting Submittals: Model; Physical Samples

Description of how the proposed work is compatible with the District.

For Demolition

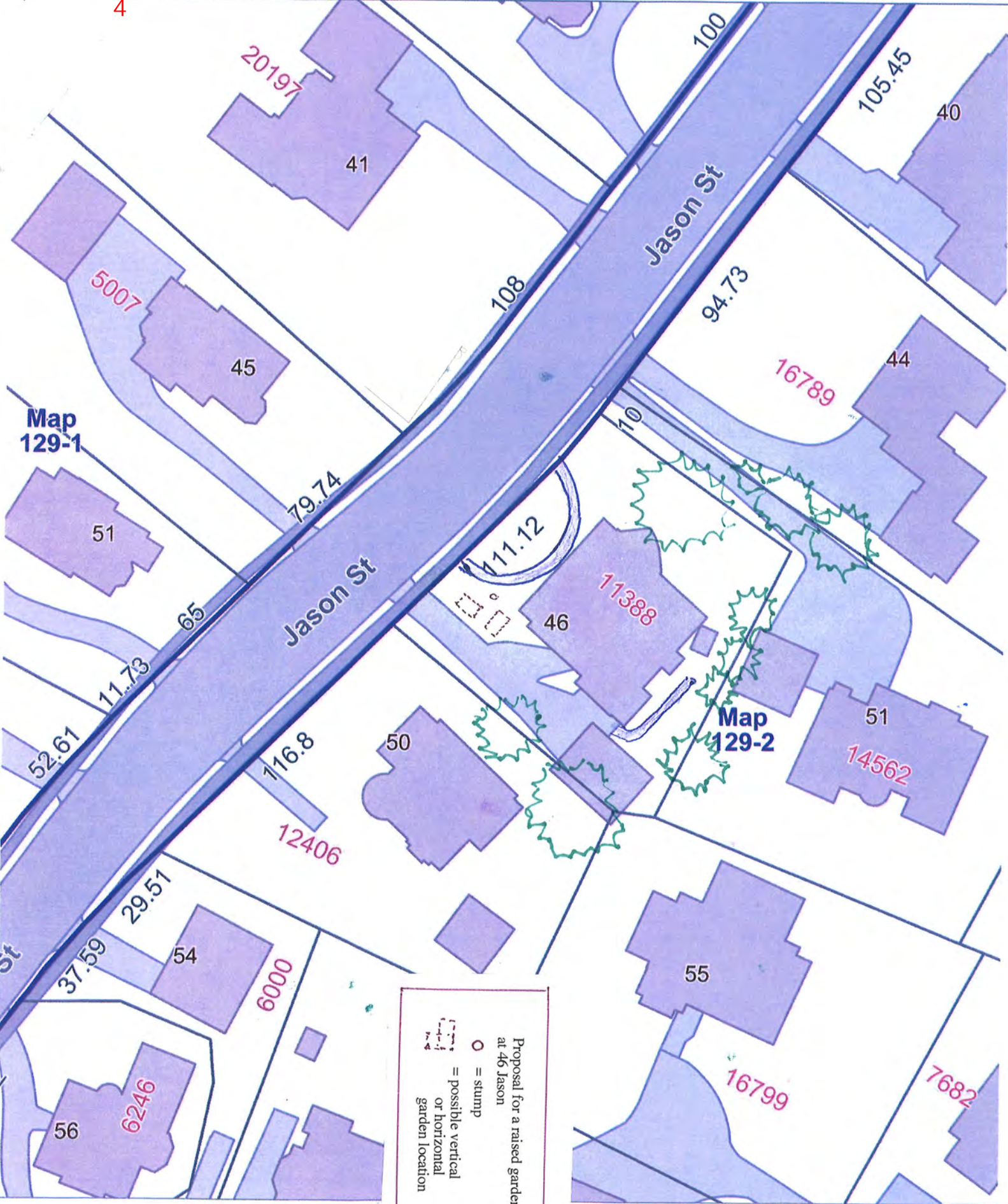
Statement of current state of existing structure and reason for demolition

Statement of the historic significance of the structure

Site Documentation (including Plot plan; Photographs of existing conditions; List existing materials; Year built; Original architect)

Other provided documentation not described above (please list on a separate attached sheet).

Applicants Signature(s): _____ Date: _____



Map 129-1

Map 129-2

○ = stump
 Proposal for a raised garden bed
 at 46 Jason
 - - - = possible vertical
 or horizontal
 garden location

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[---] = either a vertical or horizontal location proposed

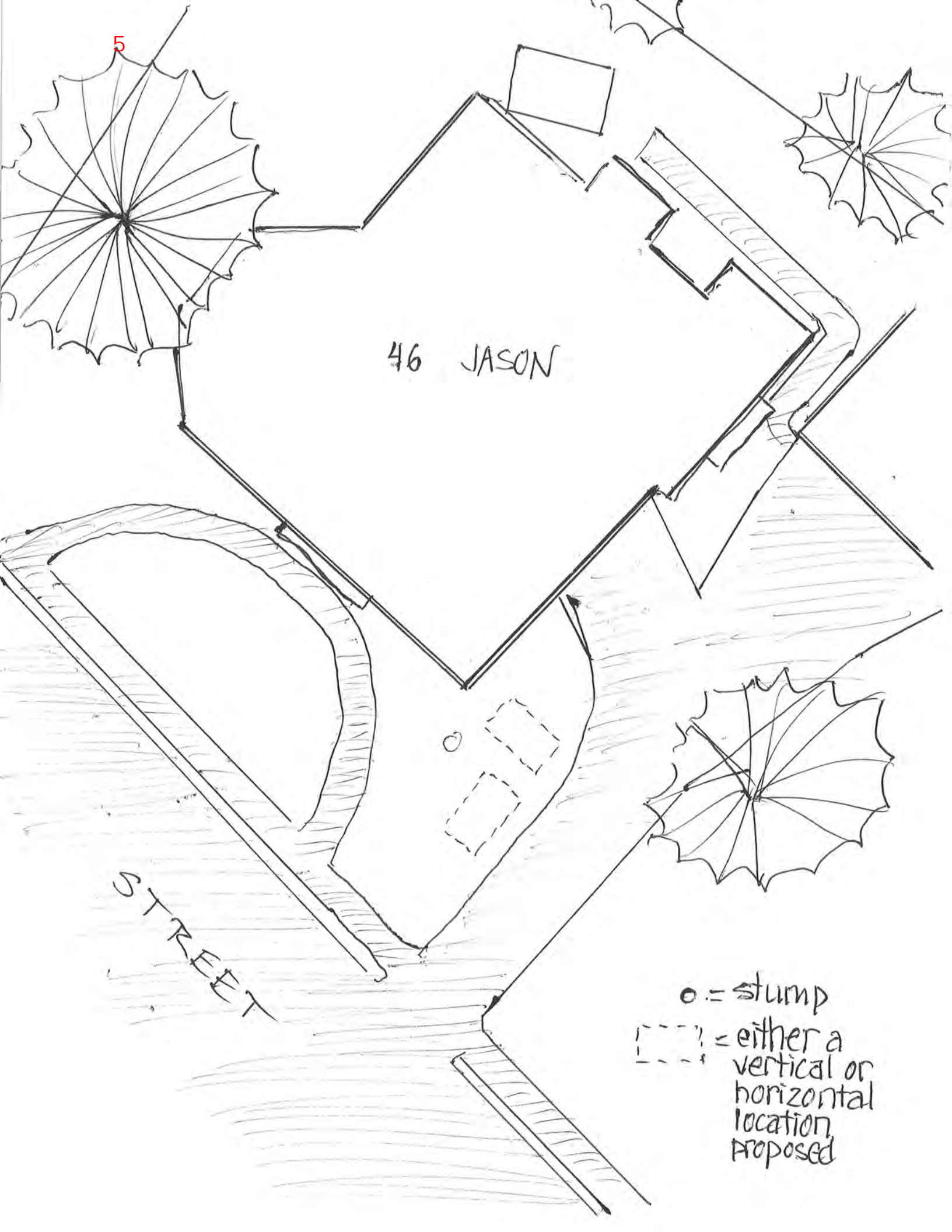


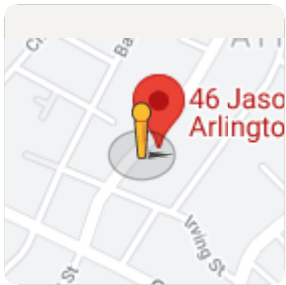


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Arlington, Massachusetts



Street View





Thanks, and update

4 messages

Jessie Brown <poetwork@gmail.com>
To: Carol Greeley <carol.greeley@gmail.com>
Cc: ahdc@town.arlington.ma.us

Thu, Apr 29, 2021 at 6:14 PM

Dear Carol and neighbors,

Thanks for your invitation to next month's meeting, which we just received. I appreciate the Zoom link.

It sounds like there was some confusion last month, so please know that we had not been invited to attend earlier. However, we have put out a wooden frame in an approximate location as you requested after that meeting.

I'm teaching Thursday evening the 13th (a poetry and history workshop, for the Schwamb Mill!), but one of our other housemates will join you that night to answer any questions.

I'm attaching our letter again, below, just in case. Thanks for your consideration!

Yours,
Jessie

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Tue, May 4, 2021 at 6:48 AM

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PS - remember our next meeting is 5/13 and then 5/27. I'm also attaching the calendar in case anyone needs it - Carol

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Carol Greeley, Executive Secretary

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