



Town Belmont  
Historic District Commission  
Homer Municipal Building, 2nd Floor  
19 Moore Street  
Belmont, MA 02478

OFFICE USE

Case Number: HDC -

### APPLICATION

In accordance with the Historic Districts Act, MGL Ch 40C, and the Town of Belmont General Bylaws, §40-315, the undersigned applies to the Belmont Historic District Commission for a Certificate of:

☒ Appropriateness

☐ Non-Applicability

☐ Hardship

#### 1. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION:

Address of Property: 7 Alexander Ave. Belmont, Ma

Property Owner's Name: Katharine Fallon

Address: 7 Alexander Ave. Belmont, Ma 02478

Email: kfallon@msn.com

Phone: 617-901-6142

Agent Name: Brittany Spezzano - Pemberton Garden Services

Address: 2225 Massachusetts Ave. Cambridge, Ma 02140

Email: brittany@pembertongardening.com

Phone: 857-274-1955

I am the: ☐ Property Owner ☒ Agent

☐ Property is Owned by a Corporation, LLC, or Trust (Submit authorization to sign as owner)

☐ Property is a Condominium or Cooperative Association (submit authorization to sign as trustee)

If applicable: Architect: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor: ~~Pemberton~~ HM Soares

#### 2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED WORK:

1. Widening of the driveway and cobblestone apron by demo + re-installing existing stone wall on right side. Repair stone wall on left side of driveway.
2. Repair dry stacked stone wall along sidewalk
3. Existing driveway edge with small stones re-installed for new driveway width. New granite step installed. Cobblestone edge by garage removed and re-install edge with small stones existing on site in backyard.

#### 3. SIGNATURES:

As Owner, I make the following representations:

A. I hereby certify that I am the Owner of the Property at: 7 Alexander Avenue

B. I hereby certify that if an Agent is listed on this Application, this Agent has been authorized to represent this Application before the Belmont Historic District Commission.

Owner: Katharine Fallon

Date: 7/21/23

As Applicant/Agent, I make the following representations:

- The information supplied on and in this Application is accurate to the best of my knowledge;
- I will make no changes to the approved plans without prior approval from the Belmont Historic District Commission.

Applicant/Agent: Brittany Spezzano

Date: 7/21/23

\* Incomplete applications and Insufficient documentation will not be accepted. \*

Certificates of Appropriateness expire one (1) year from the date of issue

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Approved August 10, 2021



## Fallon Residence - Proposed Work

7 Alexander Ave. Belmont, MA 02478



Please see the accompanying digital drawing showing the proposed changes. Further descriptions and existing site photos are below.

1. Widening of the driveway, and extending driveway apron. Demolishing the existing stone wall on the right side, and re-installing it 3-3.5' to the right. The new proposed location of the stone wall will run from the corner of the house to the sidewalk. The existing metal post at the end of the driveway and sidewalk will be removed. On the left side of the driveway, the stone wall will be repaired- loose stones will be set back into the wall. All existing stone will be re-used, no additional material will be brought in for the stone walls. If any new material is needed, additional material will be natural stones to match existing sourced in New England. Mortar for the stone wall will be minimized as much as possible along the top and side of the wall where visible.



In red- Stone wall to be removed and re-installed approx. 3-3.5' feet to the right.



In red on left- stone wall to be repaired, existing loose stones to be re-set into wall.

In red on right- new location of stone wall to line up with house corner to widen driveway.



Post to be removed circled in red.

Existing driveway apron to be widened for new driveway width. Approx. border of widened apron shown in red.



Existing cobblestone apron material shown here. New materials brought in to widen the driveway apron will match the existing material.



2. Repair dry stacked stone wall running along the sidewalk. Using the existing natural small stones, the stone wall will be repaired and re-stacked to clean up the look of the wall and enhance it's structural integrity. No additional stone material will purchased. If more small stone material is needed, it will be pulled from existing stones in the backyard. If any mortar is needed, it will be applied interiorly, and not visible. Remove and replace existing slate stepping stones with natural fieldtones sourced in New England.



Existing dry stacked stone wall on the left side of the front porch shown here.



Existing dry stacked stone wall on the right side of the front porch shown here.





Existing slate stepping stones to side door removed, and replaced with natural fieldstone stepping stones sourced in New England. [here](#).



Example photo of natural fieldstones sourced in New England.



3. Small stones lining the right side of the driveway will be pulled up and re-installed at the new width of the driveway, approximately 2-2.5'. Existing cobblestone landing for the side door will be shortened for the new driveway width, approximately 2-2.5' closer to the house. A new granite step will be installed at the new small stone driveway edge location to step up to the existing brick patio in the backyard. The existing cobblestone edge lining the driveway by the garage will be removed and the edge will be re-installed using existing small stones from the backyard.



Existing site conditions shown here.

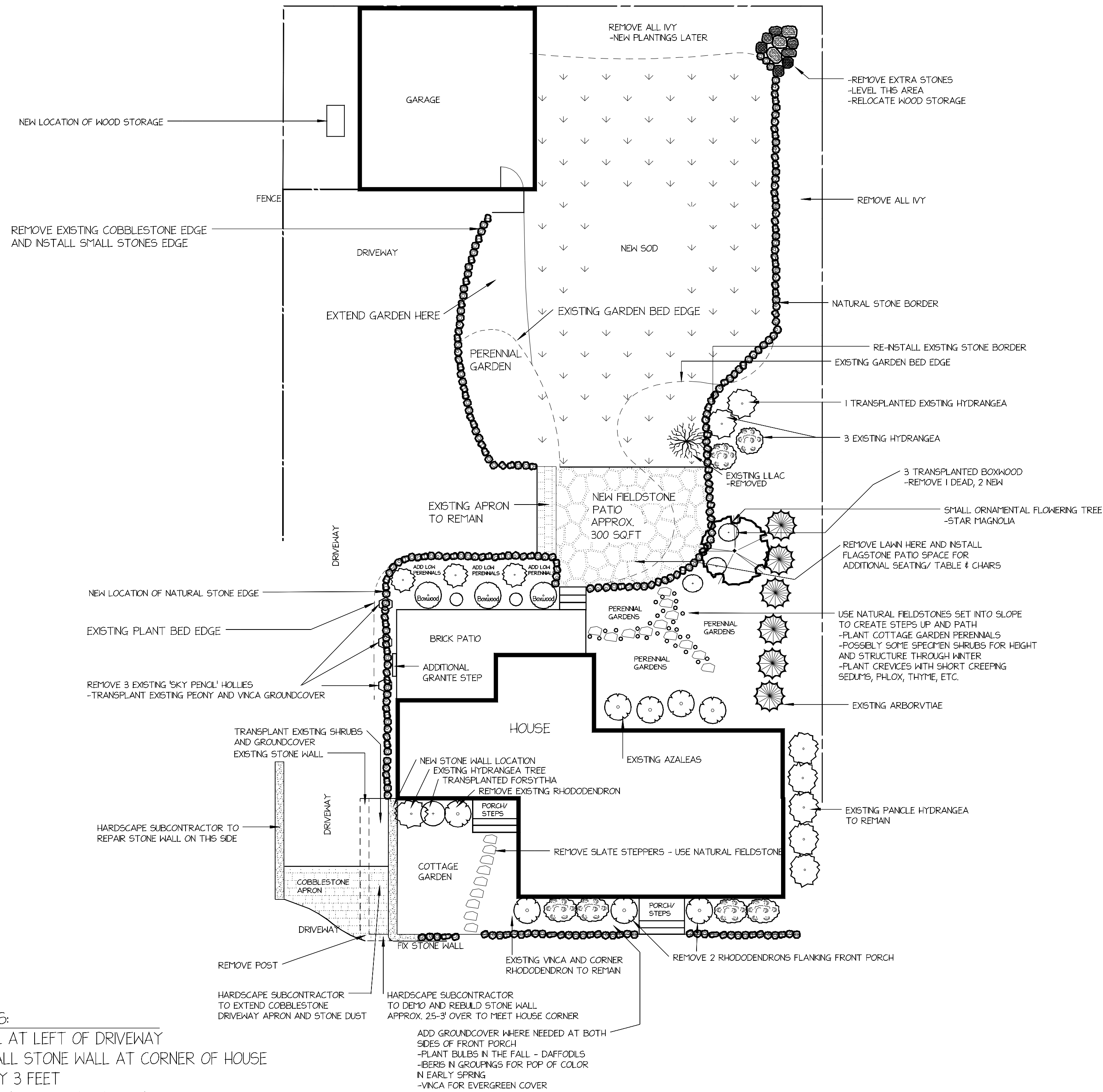


Proposed changes shown in red here. Line shows approx. location of the small stone edging and the shortening of the cobblestone landing to accommodate new driveway width. Square shows the approx. location of the granite step up to the existing brick patio.



By the garage in the backyard, existing cobblestone edge shown in red will be removed, and small stone edge will be installed here using existing small stones in the backyard.





#### HARDSCAPE CHANGES:

- REPAIR STONE WALL AT LEFT OF DRIVEWAY
- DEMO AND RE-INSTALL STONE WALL AT CORNER OF HOUSE TO EXTEND DRIVEWAY 3 FEET
- EXTEND COBBLESTONE DRIVEWAY APRON
- INSTALL GRANITE STEP TO BRICK PATIO
- RE-USE AND INSTALL NATURAL STONES AS BORDER ALONG RIGHT SIDE OF DRIVEWAY TO GARAGE
- REMOVE STONES AND LEVEL OUT IN BACK RIGHT CORNER
- FIELDSTONE PATIO SPACE IN BACKYARD AND STEPPERS

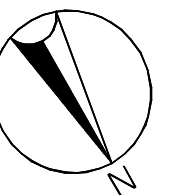
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SCALE IN FEET

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\*\*WHEN PRINTED ON 18" X 24" SHEET SIZE



PEMBERTON GARDEN  
SERVICES

DESIGN BY:  
Brittany S.



NORTH

KATHARINE FALLON  
7 ALEXANDER AVE. BELMONT

DRAWING #  
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DATE  
JULY 2023

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