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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 23, 2015

TO: New Bedford Historical Commission

FROM: Department of Facilities and Fleet Management

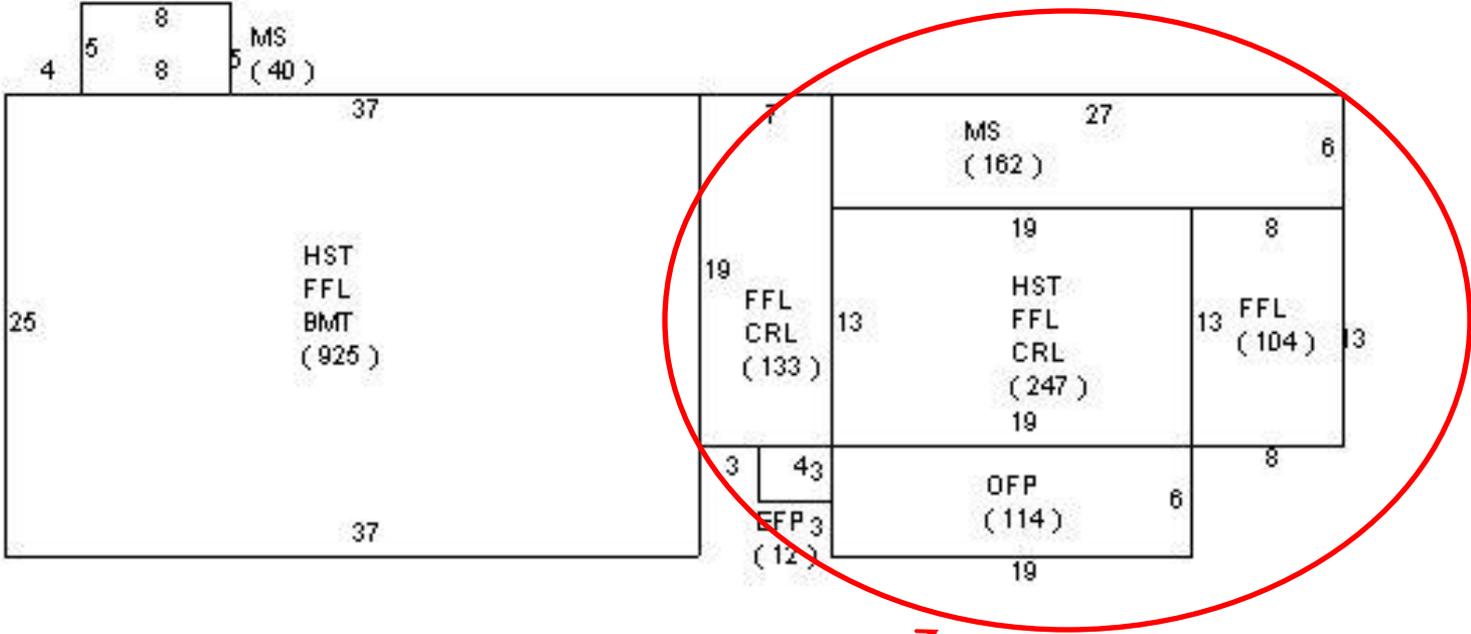
RE: Partial Demolition Request: 597-603 Brock Avenue-Hazelwood Park
circa 1854 Coffin-Howland House

Statement of Reason for Proposed Partial Demolition

The wood structure at Hazelwood Park, officially known as the Coffin-Howland House, and commonly referred to as the Park Superintendent's House, has been vacant for decades. The northern portion of the wood structure suffered an arson fire several years ago and has experienced repeated vandalism. Due to exposure, water infiltration and vandalism, the structure has deteriorated to the point of collapse and is beyond reasonable repair.

In order to make safe and protect the public welfare in the Hazelwood Park setting, the Department of Facilities and Fleet Management seeks to demolish the northern section only of the wood structure. The southern, stone portion of the Coffin Howland House will be retained and protected from the elements, until its future use is determined and funding for its restoration is available.

COFFIN-HOWLAND HOUSE@HAZELWOOD PARK



Wood-Framed Section to be Demolished



Coffin-Howland House

Congdon-Lucas House

Hazelwood Park ←
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