

To: CSM Commission From: Marketplace Staff

Date: 5/17/23

Re: Informational Update - Rock Removal at 92 Church St.; 5/17/23 Commission Meeting; Agenda Item IV

- Church Street Marketplace staff have solicited two bids regarding the removal of the three smaller rocks in front of 92 Church St. The bids varied greatly coming in at \$9,000 and \$30,000. It is assumed that once the actual depth of the rocks is ascertained, the cost estimate range will tighten, however, it will not dip below \$9,000.
- On April 25th, 2023, the Historic Preservation Review Committee met to discuss the action. Below is an excerpt from their minutes:

Historic Preservation Review Committee:

Discuss boulder removal from Church Street Historic District and discuss window replacement after replacement on historic structures.

After examination of the request and supporting information, and with broad discussion, the Historic Preservation Review Committee (JW, GS, EM) voted unanimously to oppose the removal of the boulders (and/or trees) from in front of 92 Church Street within the Church Street Historic District/Church Street Marketplace.

Staff has noticed that the tenant currently has 7 tables and 28 seats (see photo below 11May23)



- Staff feels strongly that great caution should be used when alterations to the original street landscape are considered. Factors to consider when weighing such a decision include:
 - Historical value of the landscape
 - Original architectural intent of the design
 - A tie into Vermont landscape
 - Structures for the public to rest, climb and lean on
 - The ability/power of rental tenants to change the physical structure of a public street
 - o Cost
 - The setting of a precedent



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Re: Slate for Approval of 8ft. Café Expansion – Summer 2023; Commission Meeting 5/17/23; Agenda Item V

Below please find the list of restaurants wishing to expand their Marketplace café spaces by 8 feet either north or south. Applicants were instructed to provide written approval of their neighbor.

**Those who did not were asked to submit by Monday 5/15/23, this list may be amended to reflect that at the meeting

- o Ken's Pizza and Pub (received neighbor approval)
- Leunig's Bistro (received neighbor approval)
- o RiRa Irish Pub (received neighbor approval)
- o Laliguras Indian and Nepali Restaurant.
- o JRS Corp DBA Akes' Place
- o Pascolo Ristorante
- Honey Road
- o Red Square
- o RiRa