You are receiving this notice because you own property that is considered a historic resource and included in the Updated Landmarks List in Appendix B of the Historic Context and Survey Report.

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

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