

August 14, 2009

Leonard Jason Jr. Building Inspector Edgartown, MA

Subject: DRI 614-M Harborview Hotel Snow Cottage

Lenny,

Hello, The Martha's Vineyard Commission (MVC) was asked by Scout Harbor View Property 1 LLC, through their lawyer, Sean Murphy, and Director of Construction, John Daley, to review a modification to the approved DRI 614 Harborview Hotel Decision. I am writing to inform you that on Thursday August 13, 2009 the Martha's Vineyard Commission decided that the proposal to switch the uses of the Penniman and Snow Cottages at 131 North Water Street, Edgartown (Map 20b Lot 63.2; the Snow Cottage) is not significant enough to warrant a public hearing and voted to approve the modification to Development of Regional Impact 614. You may proceed with the local permitting process.

The proposal is to amend their approved plans from the MVC [DRI #614] to switch the uses of the Penniman and Snow Cottages. This would include removing the first floor spa (850 sf) and restrooms/storage (850 sf) from the approved Penniman Cottage and reconstruct the Snow Cottage to incorporate a new spa (1,869 sf) with an English garden instead of the approved two 3-Bedroom condominiums and storage. The Snow Cottage will have a slightly larger foot print with a small bump out facing onto the new garden (see attached plans). Also, due to the current economic conditions the originally proposed two phase renovation plan has been altered to a multi phased plan.

Commissioners decided that this use does not require a public hearing and approved the modification based on the proposal being in keeping with the original scope of the project, the decreased impact on abutters, and the fact that they have to come back to the MVC for modification review for any further changes. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Paul Foley
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Martha's Vineyard Commission

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