



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: 536 Pleasant Street  
 Property Owner's Name: Melissa Dell  
 Address: 536 Pleasant Street  
 Email: melissa.dell@gmail.com                      Phone: 580-747-3773

Agent Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_                      Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I am the :       x   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: Fresh Start Contracting

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

Raise the bottom of existing window (so back of kitchen counter is not visible)  
 Add a window between the kitchen and covered back porch  
 Remove defunct, damaged chimney at the back of the house (front chimney will not be touched)  
 These changes are not visible from the public way

**3. SIGNATURES:**

**As Owner, I make the following representations:**

- A. I hereby certify that I am the Owner of the Property at: 536 Pleasant Street  
 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: Melissa Dell                      Date: 9-3-24

**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: \_\_\_\_\_                      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Approved August 10, 2021

As shown in the attached plans and below photos, our house is built in three portions. The widest part of the house is at the front (near the street), the middle of the house is narrower, and the back portion is the narrowest. The front is also the tallest, the middle portion is shorter, and the back is the shortest. The pictures below, taken from our backyard, show the west (left photo) and east (right photo) side of the house, and how it becomes shorter and narrower as you move back from the street.



The first proposed change is to add windows at the back of the house, between the kitchen and covered back porch. The windows will be on the right side of the porch, and of the same size/type as the existing window. The photo on the left is taken from the backyard. The one on the right is taken standing on our back porch.



Second, the size of an existing window will be reduced so the kitchen counter is not visible through the window (the top height will remain the same). It is behind foliage currently. The picture below shows that this window is at a right angle to the middle portion of the house, which is wider and obstructs the view from the public way. The back chimney, which has

suffered extensive damage over the years, will also be removed. The functional front chimney will not be touched.



These changes are not visible from the street, as they are in the shorter, narrower back portions of the house. Below is the most comprehensive view of the right side of the house from the street. This photo was taken to the right of the entrance to our driveway. (The visible chimney is the front one, which will not be touched).



Here is another view from the entrance to the driveway.



Here is the view from the public way in front of the front door:



The house is not very visible from the public way to the left of the house due to foliage. In any case, the proposed changes are on the other side/back of the house so would not be visible even if the foliage was not there.



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	historic preservation comm.	9-1-2024

**Dell Residence**  
536 Pleasant Street  
Lexington, MA

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DATE

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PROPOSED



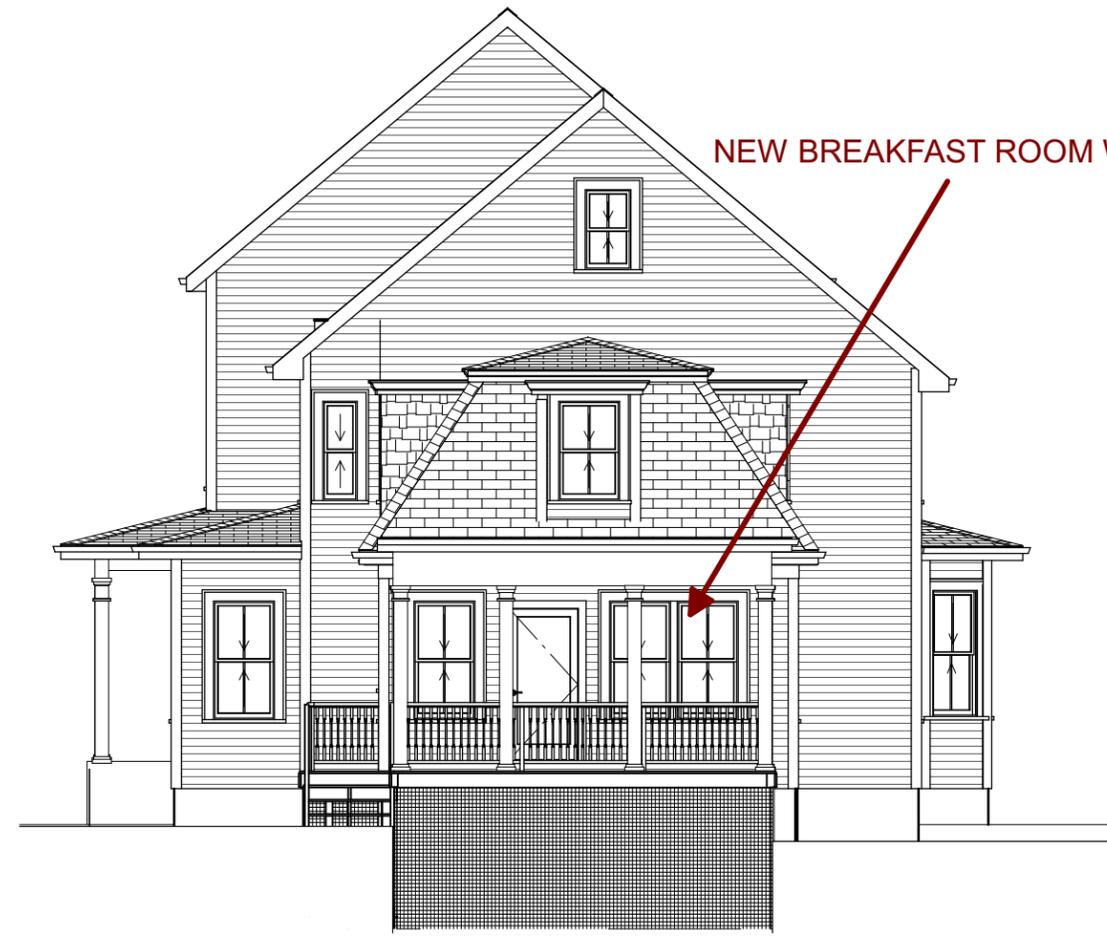
EXISTING

**RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION**

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



EXISTING



NEW BREAKFAST ROOM WINDOW

PROPOSED

BACK ELEVATION

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

2ND FLOOR

SCALE: 5/32" = 1'-0"

**KATHY MARSHALL DESIGN**  
FINE HOME INTERIORS

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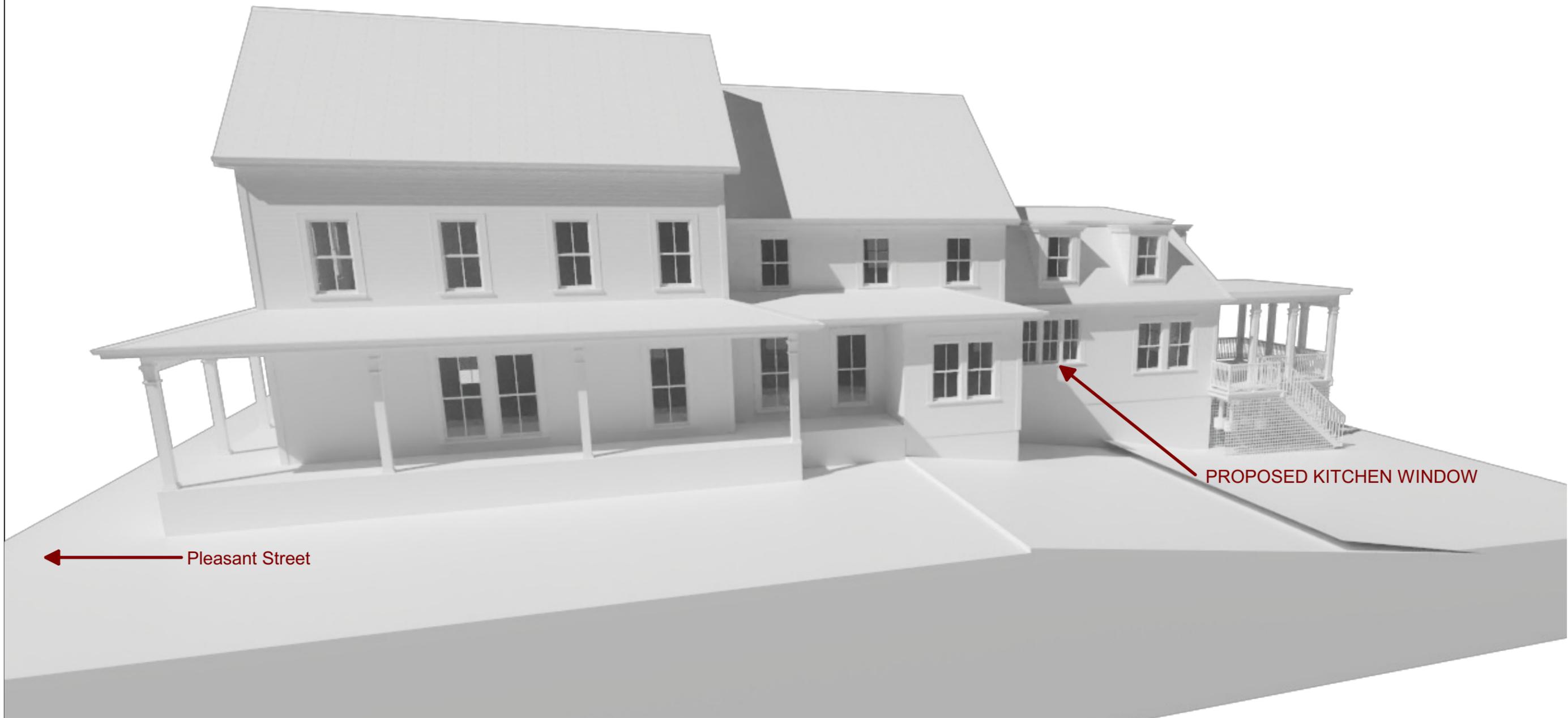
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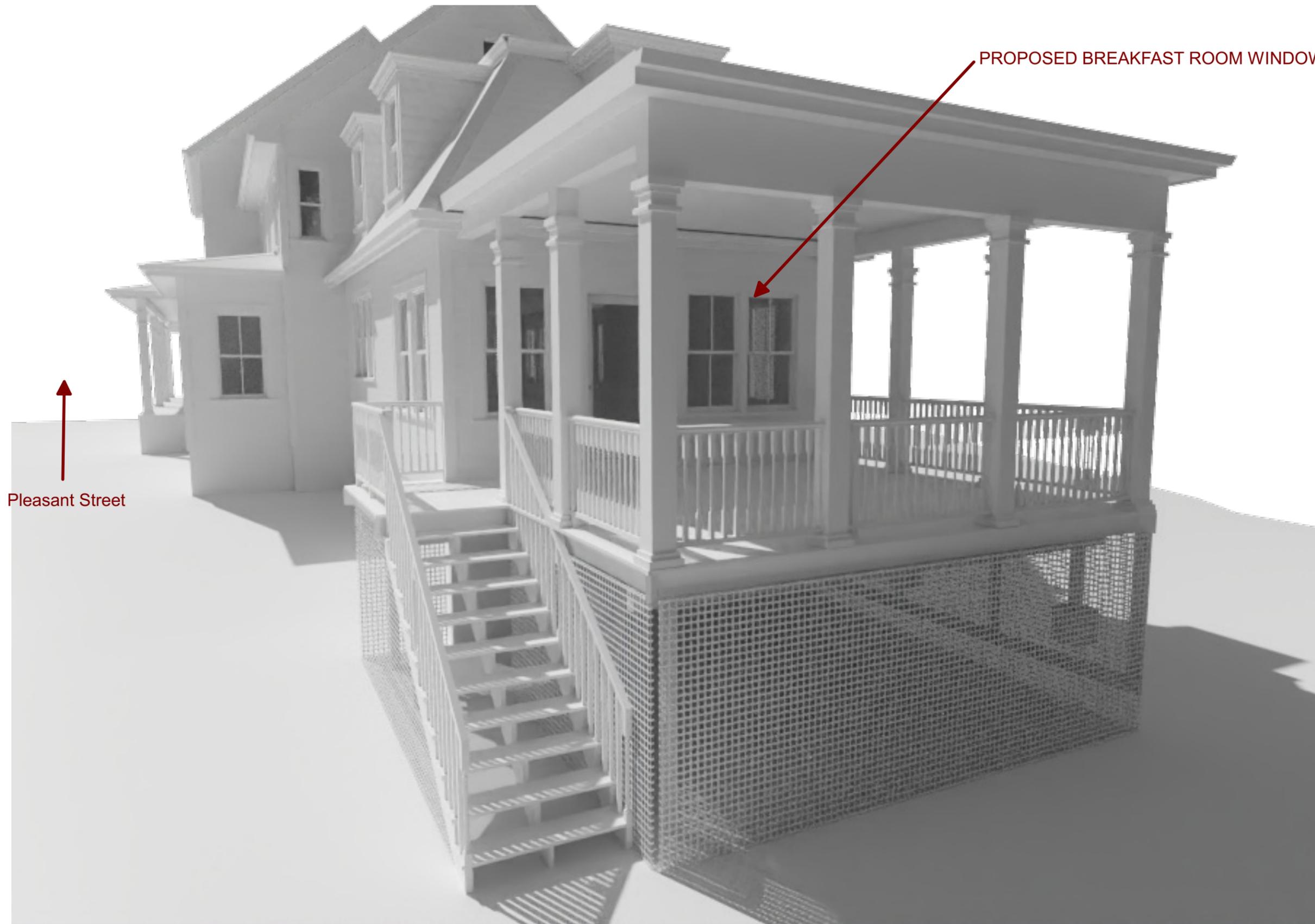
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PROPOSED BREAKFAST ROOM WINDOW

Pleasant Street

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Pleasant Street

NEW PROPOSED WINDOWS NOT  
VISIBLE FROM PLEASANT STREET

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