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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE

- 1. The undersigned hereby applies to the Cambridge Historical Commission for a Certificate of (check one box): [X] Appropriateness, [ ] Nonapplicability, or [ ] Hardship, in accordance with Chapter 40C of the Massachusetts General Laws and/or Chapter 2.78 of the Municipal Code.
2. Address of property: 11 Story St #24, Cambridge, Massachusetts
3. Describe the proposed alteration(s), construction or demolition in the space provided below: (An additional page can be attached, if necessary).

Fisher Windows from Waltham MA will be replacing 10 windows for Ms Chow at her residence at 11 Story St. The product replacing the existing windows is the Pella Architect wood clad window. This product complies to the Board of the Story St condo association's criteria. Both the condo associations Letter of approval as well as their policy of replacing windows have been submitted with this application. Great pains have been taken to insure what is currently there will be replicated.

I certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. The undersigned also attests that he/she has read the statements printed on the reverse.

Name of Property Owner of Record: Shisheng Chow
Mailing Address: 11 Story St #24 Cambridge MA 02138
Telephone/Fax: 617-939-6162 E-mail: sschow999@gmail.com
Signature of Property Owner of Record: [Signature]
Name of proponent, if not record owner:
Mailing Address:
Telephone/Fax: E-mail:

(for office use only):
Date Application Received: 6/19/18 Case Number: 396? Hearing Date: 7/12/18
Type of Certificate Issued: Date Issued:

Dear ShiSheng Chow,

The Board of the 11-13 Story Street Condominium Trust has approved your request to replace your windows as described in your request dated May 14, 2018 which request was accompanied by with the following information/documentation:

1. Proposal from Jeff Fisher Inc. dated February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for Pella Architect Windows
2. Pictures sent with request depicting the windows
3. Understanding the windows will be brown exterior per personal communication

Subject always to the Window Replacement Policy dated and approved by the Board of Trustees on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and in accordance with the items numbered 1 - 3 above, The Board hereby authorizes you to seek a building permit necessary to accomplish said window replacement.

Sincerely,

Board of Trustees  
11-13 Story Street Condominium

*Wendy Brown*  
Trustee

# 11-13 STORY STREET CONDOMINIUM

## Window Replacement Policy

The Board of Trustees of the 11-13 Condominium Trust have adopted the following window replacement policy on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018. The policy is intended to encourage Unit Owners to continue to make the building more livable and maintain its charm and beauty while respecting the requirements set forth in the condominium documents and applicable law. We understand that the original windows are beyond their design life and that some compromise is necessary. This policy is meant to articulate the compromise the board envisions and thus expedite approval and enhance communication with owners looking to replace their windows.

All windows must meet the minimum requirements set forth below:

1. Match or closely resemble the exterior brown color of existing windows,
2. Minimal loss of visible glass relative to the windows being replaced,
3. All non-basement windows must be double hung and
4. All non-basement windows wider than 24 inches must be "six over one" with the dividers being raised not just between the glass.

This policy also permits:

- 1 translucent glass for bathroom windows only,
2. Windows may have full or half screens.
3. Storm windows may be removed as long as exterior wood frame is repainted to match existing wood at unit owner(s) expense. The Board or management company will provide the unit owner the color specification for said exterior wood paint color upon request.

Any unit owner who wishes to replace their windows are required to do so at their sole expense and must comply with all the provisions contained in the condominium documents, including without limitation, Master Deed, Declaration of Trust, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, all as same may be amended as well as any applicable local, state or federal authority.

In accordance with the above stated conditions, requirements and policy considerations, any unit owner seeking to replace window(s) must obtain and provide to the Board the following items prior to commencement of any work:

1. Historic commission approval,
2. Building permits,
3. Certificates of insurance that identify the 11-13 Story Street Condominium Association and Management Company as additional named insureds with such companies, limits and coverage reasonably acceptable to the Board,
4. A detailed description of the replacement windows including but not limited to manner of insulation, manufacturer specifications, materials, locations, installer's contact information and warranty and
5. Any and all other information and or documentation deemed reasonably necessary by the Board

Any request to deviate from this policy requires written approval from the board which approval may be withheld in the Board's sole discretion.

11-13 Story Street Condominium Trust  
By Its Trustees

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# FISHER WINDOWS

## JEFF FISHER INC.

PO Box 550035  
North Waltham Ma 02455  
781 910 8258

LICENSE # 066853 H.I.C. # 188132

NAME: Shisheng Chow DATE: 2-13-18  
ADDRESS 11 Story St. Unit #24  
Cambridge MA 02138  
HOME WORK #  
CELL 617-939-6162 EMAIL [sschow999@gmail.com](mailto:sschow999@gmail.com)

Furnish and install the following, all to include LowE/Argon, .27 U-value and Energy Star Rated.

- **10 PELLA ARCHITECT SERIES STYLE EDITION DOUBLE-HUNG WINDOWS.** THESE UNITS WILL BE MANUFACTURED TO ORDER, BROWN EXTERIOR AND PRE-FINISHED SOFTER LINEN WHITE ON THE INTERIOR. EACH UNIT WILL BE MANUFACTURED TO ORDER WITH SIMULATED DIVIDED LITE PATTERN ON THE TOP SASH ONLY REPLICATING WHAT IS THERE. THE UNITS WILL HAVE STANDARD WHITE HARDWARE AND FULL SCREENS. THE UNITS IN BOTH THE LIVING ROOM AND OFFICE WILL HAVE PELLA'S VIVID VIEW SCREENS. THESE UNITS WILL BE INSTALLED AS REPLACEMENT WINDOWS INSIDE THE EXISTING FRAMES. REPLACEMENT INCLUDES CAULKING ALL CRACKS AND INSULATING SPACES, REMOVING EXISTING WINDOWS AND ANY STORMS AND INSTALLING NEW WINDOWS LEVEL AND PLUMB. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING ALL DEBRIS.

Estimated time to complete is 1-2  
days

\*\* Cost includes free Accidental Glass Breakage for Life.

### **MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO JEFF FISHER INC.**

Estimate includes cost of all trash disposal. Painting is responsibility of the homeowner. All workmanship is warranted for LIFE. Payment terms are 1/3 up front, and balance due upon completion of contract unless otherwise specified. Any and all extras will require separate contracts and are payable prior to start of work. Contractor will pull permits if necessary, homeowner to reimburse. Work to begin 4-6 weeks following receipt of deposit. Contract is good for 30 days after contractor signature below.

I accept the terms of this contract. \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of contractor. \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared by Paul Finnegan  
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**Spec Sheet for Chow - Cambridge**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Appx Meas.</b>	<b>Muntins</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Living Rm side	30.25 x 60.5	6 over 1	1	Premium Screens
Living Rm wall	33.25 x 60.5	6 over 1	2	Premium Screens
Office Center	33.25 x 60.5	6 over 1	1	Premium Screens
Office flankers	30.25 x 60.5	6 over 1	2	Premium Screens
Master Bedroom	33.25 x 60.5	6 over 1	1	_____
Master Bedrm Flankers	30.25 x 60.5	6 over 1	2	_____
Bathroom	27.25 x 44.75	6 over 1	1	Tempered Glass

Application #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Applicant Name: Shisheng Chow

Address: 11 Story St Harvard Sq  
 Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

## Window Survey Form

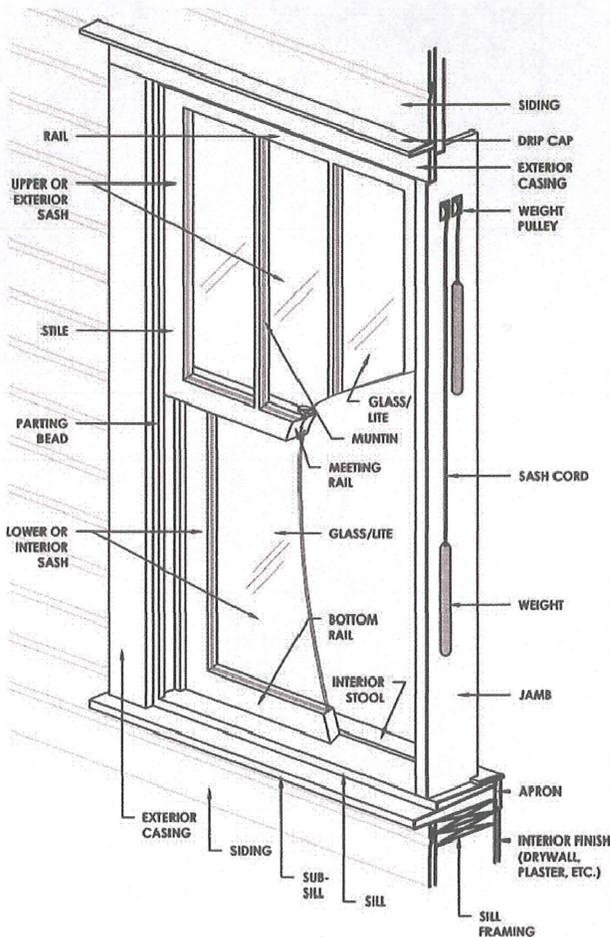
Have?

### Basic Requirements

- Photographs or drawings of each elevation of the structure, with all window openings on each elevation numbered
- Photographs of each numbered window opening proposed for replacement
- Condition evaluation of each windows (see reverse)
- Proposed window design (sash, casement, fixed, etc.), pattern (1-over-1, 2-over-1, etc.), materials (wood, vinyl, clad, etc.), etc. *Specify if different for certain openings.*
- Proposed product information that includes company's depiction or photograph of actual proposed product
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### IF REPAIRING WINDOWS, YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE THIS FORM.

1. Using photographs or elevation drawings, assign a number to **ALL WINDOW OPENINGS** on the structure. If using photos, they need to show the **ENTIRE** elevation. Windows in pairs or groupings should be assigned *separate* numbers. Windows in dormers and small fixed windows should also be included, but not door sidelights or transoms associated with a door.
2. Describe condition of window under the same number on the back of this sheet. Describe the specific issues and conditions of **EACH** window in detail, referring to the specific parts (see diagram below). Additional close-up photographs showing evidence of the window condition **MUST** be provided to better document problem areas.



The Commission's evaluation and recommendation is based on deterioration/damage to the window unit, and associated trim.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Broken glass, windows with broken sash cords, windows that do not open, energy efficiency, draftiness, noise intrusion, and windows that are painted or screwed shut are **NOT** grounds for approving replacement. These can all be addressed through repair and/or the addition of a storm window.

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Total number of window openings on the structure	
Number of historic windows on the structure	
Number of existing replacement/non-historic windows	
Number of windows completely missing	
Totally number of windows proposed for replacement	

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Applicant Name: Shisheng Chow

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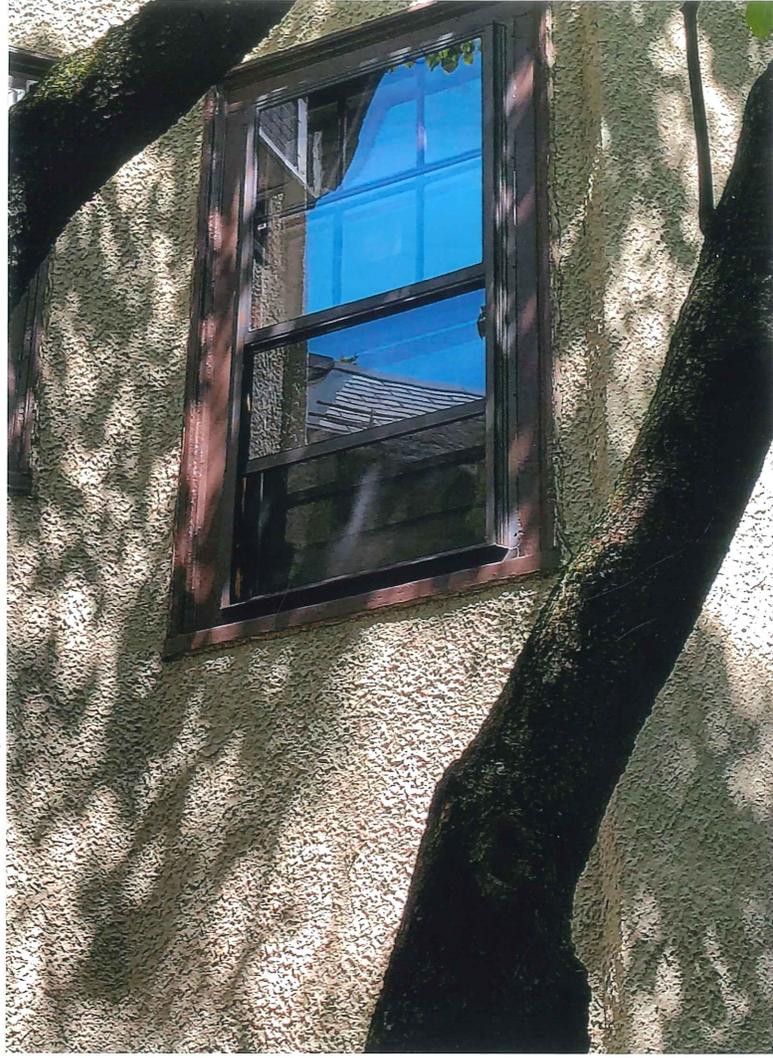
### Window Survey Form

Window #	Condition Notes
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## Burks, Sarah

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**From:** Paul Finnegan <fisherwindows.paul@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 25, 2018 10:19 AM  
**To:** Burks, Sarah  
**Subject:** Fwd: Story st  
**Attachments:** IMG\_1267.jpg; IMG\_1266.jpg; IMG\_1265.jpg

Good morning Sarah,

These are the photos you requested. I understand the request to get a view from across the street, but whereas there are so many trees, it is difficult to see them. Hence the previous ones I forwarded to you were up closer and even some of them had the trees encumbering the view.

Her unit is the second floor in the courtyard to the right of the first photo. The additional photos are to provide a general feel for the entire building itself.

Yes, the exterior material is an aluminum cladding in a brown that was a dead on match to color scheme that is currently there.

As for the repair verse replace question. When I first met Ms. Chow, who is now in Asia and asked me to handle as much of this that I could, she shared a disappointing experience she had with a previous property she owned years ago in the South End. She had them fully refurbished. It was not an inexpensive solution and though she was pleased that they did work better and were no longer very difficult, at the end of the day she was very disappointed in the efficiency of the refurbished windows that she did. She expected more after all she invested. This coupled with her being very 'green' conscience she really wants to replace these.

That is what she shared with me. Where I can chime in with my 2 cents, the company I work for is unique in that we don't work with one manufacturer, but pretty much all of them. I will say this, that paramount to Ms. Chow was to replicate as closely as possible what she currently has. Not just because she knew it would have to pass the Condo association, but she wanted the character of the grids, which I will say the product she selected does accomplish that very well as did the condo association that took almost 2 months to review and agreed in the end.

I have tried to provide you with as much information as you have requested. I hope this will be adequate. Please let me know what the end decision will be if you will be able to approve it or if it will have to go before a hearing. We are naturally hoping for the previous.

Thank you again Sarah for your attention to detail, I look forward to hearing back from you.

Paul Finnegan  
Fisher Windows  
617-939-6894

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**From:** Paul Finnegan <[fisherwindows.paul@gmail.com](mailto:fisherwindows.paul@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Mon, Jun 25, 2018 at 10:02 AM  
**Subject:** Story st  
**To:** [fisherwindows.paul@gmail.com](mailto:fisherwindows.paul@gmail.com)



